



**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA**  
**POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**  
**LEVEL-7**  
**NEP 2201-ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT**  
**FINAL EXAMINATION-2007**  
**DURATION-3 HOURS**

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**TIME:9.30 a.m.- 12.30 p.m**

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Answer any **Four (4)** questions.

1.
  - (i). Discuss the historical background of the evolution of Environmental Policies in Sri Lanka.
  - (ii). Briefly explain the environmental problems we face as a developing Country.
2.
  - (i). List the major problems and issues related to waste disposal in Sri Lanka.
  - (ii) Explain the policies and measures that have been instituted or proposed to address those problems.
3. Write an essay on the “problem of air pollution”. Your answer must include national level policies and mechanisms for mitigating the problem of air pollution in Sri Lanka.
4. “Sri Lanka is not a major contributor to green house gases at the global level. But being an island it is vulnerable to the impacts of climate change and sea level rise”. Comment on this statement.
5.
  - (i). Discuss the different types of land degradation found in Sri Lanka.
  - (ii). List the major policy decisions and actions taken up to now for conservation and management of the land resources in Sri Lanka.
6. The world is experiencing a loss of biodiversity in terms of species, genetic and ecosystem diversity. Deforestation and forest degradation play a key role in this regard.
  - (i). Are the above problems applicable to Sri Lanka?. Explain your answer giving examples from the lessons you have learned.
  - (ii). How do you think the problem of species loss can best be addressed in Sri Lanka in natural and agricultural systems?
  - (iii). How could implementation of the Biodiversity Action Plan help to address this issue.

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