

**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA**  
**MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND PUBLIC**  
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**SSP 2101 – DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES AND POLICIES IN SRI LANKA**



**DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS**

**Date: 28<sup>th</sup> June 2008**

**Time: 1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.**

**Answer three (03) questions only.**

1. Critically evaluate Sri Lanka's achievements in human development in the post-independence period up to 1977 using a multi-disciplinary framework of analysis.
2. Identify and analyse the main social economic and political challenges that Sri Lanka currently faces in realizing the goals of sustainable human development. How have these challenges emerged?
3. Examine the making and unmaking of constitutions in post-independent Sri Lanka focusing on their implications on democratic institution building in the country.
4. Discuss the main features of the economic strategies adopted in Sri Lanka prior to 1977.
5. Explain how the "Washington Consensus" influenced policy making in the developing world during the 1970s and 1980s.
6. Critically analyse the implications of the outward-looking economic policies implemented in Sri Lanka in the post 1977 period.
7. Sri Lanka's achievement in social welfare programmes can be considered as a Role Model for the developing countries. Discuss with reference to land mark social welfare programmes that were implemented by the successive governments of independent Sri Lanka.
8. Elucidate the Sri Lankan strategy on upliftment of School education, Health Services and Food Subsidy since independence.

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