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Date: 23rd March 2013

Time: 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

**Answer four (04) questions only.
Each question carries 25 marks.**

1. Appraise the type of policies that need to be formulated to address issues relating to the population profile of Sri Lanka with special reference to elderly population of the country.
2. The social indicators in the 1977-86 periods were described as 'steady progress in the economy' and it was the direct outcome of the economic reforms of Sri Lanka. Describe this statement with suitable examples.
3. Evaluate as to what extent the government policy made impact on reduction of rural poverty in Sri Lanka.
4. Review some of the major impacts on labour in the privatized plantation industry in Sri Lanka.
5. Critically assess the outcomes of the housing projects implemented during 1980 -1990 period and its impact on social integration in Sri Lanka.
6. Examine the distinction between self-sufficiency in food and food security in Sri Lanka.
7. The 8 hour work day is an exceptional achievement as far as victory of trade union movements. Discuss critically.
8. Evaluate as to what extent the policy changes under the structural adjustment programme are making progress in achieving the state objective in Sri Lanka.
9. "Continuity of depending on high imports of food items to the country have been unsatisfactory". Critically examine this statement in the context of Food Policy of Sri Lanka.
10. Write short notes on the following topics.
 - a) Dimension of privatized plantation companies in Sri Lanka.
 - b) Land Reforms and its impact on the plantation community in Sri Lanka.