



THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
 POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TECHNOLOGY
 FINAL EXAMINATION – 2012/ 2013
 TTM7132 GLOBAL OUTLOOK OF TEXTILE AND APPAREL
 DURATION - THREE HOURS

DATE: 06th August 2013

TIME: 09.30-12.30 HOURS

Total Number of Questions = 09 Number of questions to be answered = 06
 Answer question 1, which is compulsory and five (05) additional questions.
 Question 1 carries twenty-five (25) marks and questions 02 to 08 carry fifteen (15) marks each.

01 Compulsory question

- a) "Sri Lanka has to face a fierce competition from countries such as China, Vietnam and Bagladesh in the global apparel market." Discuss this statement based on global apparel trade. (13 %)
- b) "Competitiveness in the global apparel trade does not depend only on the price." What is your opinion about this statement? Establish your opinion providing facts. (12%)
02. a) Discuss positive as well as negative effects of the industrial revolutions, which took place in 18th century on textile workers and the society in general. (08%)
- b) Describe how industrial revolution and the resulting developments have influenced the organization of workers and labour movements. (07%)
03. a) "The wars have resulted in the development and emergence of high quality and high performance textiles". Discuss this statement. (08%)
- b) Elaborate the following terms:
- i) Liberalism (04%)
- ii) Protectionism (03%)
04. a) What were the reasons for the emergence of "GATT" and what were the main principles underlying "GATT"? (09%)
- b) What were the most important outcomes of the "Tokyo Declaration"? (06%)
05. a) What is WRAP? Discuss the background of emergence of WRAP certification. (08%)
- b) Describe all the WRAP principles. (07%)
06. a) Discuss the reasons for the decline in the production of natural fibres and increase of manmade fibres over the last three decades. (08%)
- b) "Clothing consumption is very responsive to short-run changes in income." Discuss this statement. (07%)
07. a) What is globalization? (03%)

- b) "Globalisation itself can be seen as a mean of competitive advantage" Discuss this statement. (12%)
08. Explain in detail the process of designing and developing of prêt-a-porter (Ready to wear) fashion products comparing it with Haute Courte development. (15%)
09. a) What is the present trend in the manufacture and export of dyes and chemicals for the textile industry? (07%)
- b) List the industries, which consume industrial textiles explaining the nature of the end-use of different products. (08%)