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DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 04th December 2006 **Time: 9.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon**

Answer five (05) questions only. Each question carries 20 marks.

1. "The greatest crisis crippling environmental communication efforts is ignorance and indifference on the part of man to ones immediate surroundings". Critically examine this statement.

2. Assess the impact of technological growth on the environment.

3. Explain what is meant by environmental pollution with special reference to land, air, water and noise pollution.

4. "A harmonious relationship between man and his physical environment laid a firm foundation for ancient Sri Lankan society". Discuss.

5. (a) Examine the relationship between environment and living conditions with special reference to the developing world.

   (b) Suggest measures to overcome environmental concerns of Third World urban cities.

6. It is in the best interest of the national energy crisis that authorities confer status to means of alternative energy sources. Discuss.

7. "Striking a balance between development and environmental concerns is fundamental to sustainable development". Discuss.

8. Critically assess the significance of Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) in the context of national development projects.

9. Write short notes on any **four (04)** of the following.
   (i) Green House effect.
   (ii) Effects of *chena* cultivation.
   (iii) Sinharaja forest
   (iv) Environmental auditing.
   (v) Eco-societal restoration.
   (vi) Restoration of Tsunami effected areas

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