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DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 05th October 2008 **Time: 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.**

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

1. How far can we accept the definition of organisations given by Max Weber? Discuss.

2. Can we apply the Rational Perspective in understanding of today's organisations in Sri Lanka? Argue.

3. Describe the inadequacies and strengths of the Conflict Perspective and the Population – Ecology Perspective.

4. What are external environment and internal organisational conditions that influence job satisfaction and work motivation? Describe giving examples.

5. Describe the process of development of any local social movement of your choice.

6. Do you think that the politicisation of Sri Lankan bureaucracy starts with the administrative reforms made by Colonial administration itself? Discuss with reference to research that you are familiar with.

7. How does Namika Raby's research on Kachcheri Bureaucracy explain personalisation of bureaucracy in Sri Lanka? Explain giving examples.

8. Describe the patterns of elite circulation in Sri Lanka citing a research work that you are familiar with.

9. Write short notes on any **four (04)** of the following themes.
   (i) Modern organisation and traditional organisation
   (ii) The Hawthorne Studies
   (iii) Organisational structure
   (iv) Sarvodaya Sharamadana Movement
   (v) Sociology of Organisations
   (vi) Organisational typologies

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