

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA
FACULTY OF ARTS

FOURTH YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER II – 2017/2018

SOC 4274 – Contemporary Rural Society

Two (02) Hours

Answer Three (03) questions only

1. Critically discuss the impact on the Kandyan peasantry during the British Colonial period with reference to Newton Gunasinghe's Book 'Changing Socio-Economic Relationship in the Kandyan Countryside'.
2. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the Participatory Approach about Rural Development more than Sectoral and Multi Sectoral Approaches.
3. 'Concept of the 'tank' is central to the study of Rural Society in Sri Lanka.' Do you agree with this statement? Explain with reasons.
4. 'The structural changes that took place in Sri Lankan villages in the face of development programmes caused the progress of the villagers in Walanagama.' Discuss with reference to Deborah Winslow's article 'Pottery Progress and Structural Adjustments in a Sri Lankan Village'.
5. 'The role of the rural woman changed because of transitional migration and the establishment of garment factories in rural arrears'. Critically discuss with reference to Michele Gamburd's article 'Milk Teeth and Jet Planes; Kin relations in Families of Sri Lanka's Transnational Domestic Servants' and Catrin Lynch's article 'The "Good Girls" of Sri Lankan Modernity: Moral Orders of Nationalism and Capitalism'.
6. Write short essays on any two (02) of the following topics.
 - i) Sustainable Rural Development
 - ii) Village Community
 - iii) Green Revolution
 - iv) Collective Violence in Rural Sri Lanka
