

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO  
FACULTY OF ARTS  
THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS 2018/2019  
END OF THE SECOND SEMESTER  
ENH: 3248 (POVERTY AND SOCIAL INTERGRATION)  
TIME ALLOWED: TWO (02) HOURS  
Answer four (04) questions only

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**Question 01**

- I. List the measures that can be used to explain absolute poverty and relative poverty. (04 marks)
- II. Briefly explain two (02) measures that you mentioned above. (06 Marks)
- III. Explain the district wise poverty differences in Sri Lanka using proper poverty indicators. (05 Marks)

**Question 02**

- I. Poverty is a multi-dimensional concept. Explain. (05 marks)
- II. Critically discuss the major contributory factors for continuation of poverty in a country. (06 Marks)
- III. How could “Mathata Thitha” program help to reduce poverty in Sri Lanka? (04 Marks)

**Question 03**

- I. How do you describe the participatory approach of identifying poverty? (05 marks)
- II. Describe the importance of awareness programs as a major step of poverty eradication. (05 Marks)
- III. Explain any anti-poverty program conducted by the Sri Lankan government. (05 Marks)

**Question 04**

- I. "Social integration is a solution to reduce poverty in an economy". Discuss.  
(05marks)
- II. "Social exclusion is the major reason for poverty". Explain using the basic elements of social exclusion. (05 Marks)
- III. Critically examine the efforts that the Sri Lankan government has taken to facilitate women, as a basic step of social inclusion. (05 Marks)

**Question 05**

- I. Explain the major steps of inclusive society. (05 Marks)
- II. How do you identify the groups of rural women as a marginalized group in Sri Lankan society? Critically explain. (05marks)
- III. Critically discuss the impact of micro finance on rural poverty in Sri Lanka. (05 Marks)

**Question 06**

Do you agree with following statements? Explain.

- I. "Equal access to information can alleviate poverty from the society"  
(05 Marks)
- II. "There is a negative relationship between social integration and poverty"  
(05 Marks)
- III. "Everyone who is accepted by the society will make enough contribution to the society"  
(05marks)

**Question 07**

Briefly explain any five (05) of the following.

- i. Monetary approach of poverty identification
- ii. Poverty gap
- iii. Extreme poverty
- iv. "Gemi Diriya" poverty alleviation program
- v. Social capital
- vi. Child poverty
- vii. Urban poverty in Sri Lanka (03 Marks Each)