

**UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA
FACULTY OF ARTS**

SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER II – 2016/2017

SOC 2232 – Environmental Sociology

Two (02) Hours

Answer any Three (03) questions only

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1. 'The contemporary discourse of environment is always based on the dialectical relationship between nature and culture.' Discuss this statement with examples.
 2. 'The environmental issues are socially constructed in the changing economic and political context.' Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons.
 3. (i) Define the concept of 'risk' with examples.
(ii) Explain how environmental risk is important in forming environmental attitude or discourse.
 4. Critically discuss the role of women in environmentalism by referring to Indian and Sri Lankan society.
 5. (i) Explain what is livelihood environmental movement
(ii) Discuss special features of grassroots environment actions of Sri Lankan society that emerged against natural resource conflict.
 6. (i) Define the concept of 'ethnobiology' with examples.
(ii) Discuss the relationship between human and elephants in the Sri Lankan socio-cultural context.
