## UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO FACULTY OF ARTS DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

## POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TRAVEL & TOURISM ECONOMICS AND HOTEL MANAGEMENT

FINAL EXAMINATION - 2016 (5th Batch)

Pg. DTEHM C502: Tourism Marketing and Destination Promotion

Time Allowed: THREE [3] HOURS

**Answer Only Four Questions** 

All Questions Carry Equal Marks

- (1) a) Briefly explain the four Eras of Marketing
  - b) What is meant by the 4th Revolution?
  - c) How does this 4<sup>th</sup> Revolution relate with the present operation of hotel industry in Sri Lanka?
  - d) How can a boutique hotel use this concept to be competitive in today's business environment?
- (2) a) What is meant by tourism marketing and tourism product selling?
  - b) Explain why tourism marketing is vital factor in determining the long term business expansion of tourism industry in Sri Lanka.
  - c) Discuss how online marketing is highly decisive for the successful operation of a travel agency in Sri Lanka?

- (3) There is an increasing trend where cruise liners are calling on Sri Lanka.
  - b) Discuss with specific examples of why proper marketing strategy planning is important for this newly emerging tourism market in Sri Lanka.
  - c) How can the Product Onion Ring be used by a cruise liner for its marketing?
  - d) "A cruise tourist is satisfied only if the actual value is the same or exceeds the perceived value of cruise tourism service" Discuss.
- (4) a) Segmentation, Targeting and Positioning are key to a strong business strategy. How can Sri Lanka Tourism use this concept in destination marketing?
  - b) When would an hotelier employee a brand extension strategy versus a new brand strategy for its business operation?
- (5) Pricing strategy is key to a successful tourism marketing campaign.
  - a) What are the strategies of pricing and how can a SME agricultural tourism based hotel use this concept?
  - b) Briefly discuss four ways to segment the agro-tourism market in Sri Lanka.
  - c) What are the possible challenges involved with marketing of agro-tourism for local tourists in Sri Lanka?