

University of Colombo – Sri Lanka

Faculty of Arts

Second Year Examination in Arts – Semester II- 2016/2017

INR 2237: Introduction to Regional Organizations

Duration: Two (02) hours

Answer any **three (03)** questions

1. Answer **both** sections

- I. What is a “region” in International Relations? (08 Marks)
- II. Citing relevant examples, explain the reasons for emergence of regional organizations. (12 Marks)

2. Critically discuss the importance of the following theories to studying regional cooperation. (20 Marks)

- I. Liberalism
- II. Neoliberalism
- III. Functionalism

3. Write a critical essay on the European Union with special focus on; (20 Marks)

- I. Evolution of the organization
- II. Economic and political integration
- III. Contemporary status

4. **EITHER**

- I. Asses the role of the African Union as a regional organization. (20 Marks)

OR

- II. Write a critical essay on any regional organization in the Middle East region. (20 Marks)

5. Answer **both** sections

- I. Briefly describe the emergence and objectives of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). (10 Marks)
- II. “ASEAN is a distinct form of regional organization”. Discuss. (10 Marks)

6. Write short notes on **any two (02)** of the following: (10x2 = 20 Marks)

- I. Political Integration
- II. Regional cooperation in South Asia
- III. ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF)
- IV. New Regionalism
- V. Relative and Absolute gains