

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO – SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF ARTS

SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER I – 2018/2019

PSC 2125 – Politics of South Asian States

Time: Two (02) Hours

Answer only **three (03)** Questions.

Each answer will carry a maximum of **twenty (20)** marks.

01. Explain the geo-political significance of South Asian region in the age of globalization.
02. What are the historical root causes of political authoritarianism in Pakistan and Bangladesh? Explain.
03. Compare and contrast the transition from monarchy to democracy in Nepal and Bhutan?
04. Comparatively analyze the challenges of democracy and democratization in Sri Lanka and India.
05. Examine the new trends of ethnic and religious nationalism in South Asian states.
06. Write notes on **two (02)** of the following;
 - i. Secularism in India
 - ii. Colonial Modernity
 - iii. Patronage politics in South Asia
 - iv. Rise of far-right populism in India and Sri Lanka
 - v. 'Chinese Factor' in South Asian politics
