

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

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

SOC 2116 – Classical Sociological Theory

Two (02) Hours

Answer Three (03) questions only

1. 'Auguste Comte's 'theory of three stages' presents a unique view of social evolution'. Examine.
2. Discuss the idea that 'economy decides in the last analysis' in relation to Karl Marx's theory of Modes of Production.
3. Explain the analysis of Karl Marx on class formation in the industrial capitalist system.
4. Discuss Weber's analysis on the origin of the capitalist system with reference to Max Weber's books "The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism" and "Religions of India."
5. 'Max Weber's analysis of the bureaucratic system is a statement about its ideal form.' Evaluate its methodological relevance for the study of contemporary bureaucracies.
6. Do you agree with the view that Emile Durkheim's concept of 'social fact' provides the basis for his sociological analysis? Give reasons for your answer.
