University of Colombo

Faculty of Arts

Fourth Year Examination in Arts – Semester II – 2019/2020

INR 4186: Contemporary India

Time: Two (02) hours

Answer any Three (03) Questions.

- 1. Discuss geopolitics of contemporary India focusing on the following:
 - i. Sharing of landlocked boundaries with China, Pakistan, Afghanistan (disputed territory), Bangladesh, Myanmar, Nepal and Bhutan
 - ii. Water borders of Sri Lanka, Maldives and Indonesia
- 2. Examine any two selected themes from topics given below that helps you to understand the Society and Culture of Contemporary India.
 - i. Family and Kinship
 - ii. Religion and Caste
 - iii. Village Structure and Unity
 - iv. Urban Life
- 3. Describe the functioning of the Government of India under the following headings:
 - i. Features of democracy
 - ii. Form of Government and principles of Governance
- 4. "The first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru founded the main principles of Foreign Policy making in India." Discuss.
- 5. "In 2015 India became one of the World's fastest growing economies." Write an essay on economic development of contemporary India with reference to:
 - i. Agricultural sector
 - ii. Industrialization
 - iii. Health and Education
- 6. Answer the following in the context of contemporary India's international relations:
 - i. Soft power of India
 - ii. Galwan Valley Incident of 2020
 - iii. Covid19 Pandemic lockdown