

**University of Colombo – Sri Lanka**  
**Faculty of Arts**  
**Third Year Examination in Arts – Semester II 2018/2019**  
**HIS 2224 – History of the Indian Ocean**  
**Time: Two (02) Hours**

Answer three (03) Questions only

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01. Analyse the role of the Muslims in the Indian ocean trade prior to the arrival of the Europeans
02. Asses the participation of the Chinese in the Indian Ocean trade in the ancient times.
03. Describe how militarization of the Indian Ocean had facilitated the expansion of the Portuguese trade power in the Indian Ocean.
04. Explain how the British Dominancy operated in the Indian Ocean
05. Explain.
  1. what is sea security?
  2. Strategic of the United States of America on the Indian Ocean during the Cold War period.
06. Write Short notes two (02) of the following.
  1. Expansion of Islam in the Indian Ocean region from 13<sup>th</sup> century to 15<sup>th</sup> century AD
  2. The geographical importance of the Indian Ocean