

University of Colombo
Faculty of Graduate Studies,
Master of Development Studies - 2017/2018
Final Examinations (Semester II)
MDS 6202 – Sociology of Development
Answer Any Four (04) Questions
Time : Two (02) Hours

1. Define the concept of 'Development' briefly and critically explain the discourse of development on the basis of changing socio-economic and political context.
2. Write a critical essay on one of the following development theories
 - (a) Modernization
 - (b) World Systems
3. 'Underdevelopment is born out of the process of global capitalism and international trade' Explain this statement by paying attention to the arguments made by Andre Gunder Frank
4. Explain what cultural globalization is and examine its impact on the development process of third world countries with examples.
5. 'Every site of contemporary development projects has become conflicts over natural resources' Discuss this statement with reference to water related projects and large dam construction.
6. Critically discuss the importance of Gender and Development (GAD) in the participatory development taking examples either from Sri Lanka or Maldives.
7. 'Human wildlife conflicts are the major socio-environmental problems in the contemporary Sri Lanka'. Discuss this statement with examples.
8. Write short notes on any four (04) of the followings
 - (a) W.W. Rostow
 - (b) Vandana Shiva
 - (c) Amartya Sen
 - (d) Solid waste crisis
 - (e) Loss of peasantry
 - (f) Natural disasters