

University of Colombo
Faculty of Arts
Second Year Degree Examination in Arts
First Semester – 2018/2019
BST 2130 - Basic Teachings of Early Buddhism
(Two Hours)

Answer any **three (03)** questions.

1. Explain the Buddhist doctrine of kamma and point out whether it is deterministic or not?
2. Examine the position of the concept of rebirth given in the Buddhist teachings.
3. "The Dependent Co-origination (*paṭiccasamuppāda*) is the key theoretical teaching of Buddhism" Discuss.
4. Examine the significance of the Noble Eightfold Path to develop both virtue (*sīla*) and wisdom (*paññā*) for balance life.
5. Discuss the significance features of the Four Noble Truths and its applicability for the realization of the final goal.
6. "Buddhist meditation is one of the ways for mental and bodily relaxation".
Comment according to your views.
