

University of Colombo - Sri Lanka
Faculty of Arts
First Year Examination in Arts
End of the Semester Examination
First Semester – 2020
GYG 1106 Principles of Geography
Time: Two (02) Hours

Answer **four (04)** questions selecting at least **one** from each part
Two outline maps of the world will be provided.

Part –I

1.

Either

- (i) Define the term “weather” (03 Marks)
- (ii) “Climate is not just the long term average of the weather” Do you agree with this idea? Briefly describe. (04 Marks)
- (iii) Taking **four** examples, briefly discuss the development of Meteorology (08 Marks)

Or

- (i) Draw a soil profile naming different horizons. (03 Marks)
- (ii) Briefly explain why soil is varying from one place to another place. (04 Marks)
- (iii) Discuss the methods that can be contributed for sustainable soil conservation using suitable examples. (08 Marks)

Part- II

02.

- i). What do you mean by the human-environment relation? (03 Marks)
- ii). Briefly explain the key arguments of environmental determinists (04 marks)
- iii). “The Human Prowess is much enough to conquer the natural impediments” Do you agree with this statement? Examine the given statement with suitable examples (08 marks)

03.

- i) How do you identify the terms race and ethnicity?
(03 Marks)
- ii) Explain the influence of latitudinal location of a country in determining the skin colour of its people.
(04 Marks)
- iii) Examine how the classification of human races has become a problematic classification.
(08 Marks)

04.

- i) State the salient characteristics of plantation agriculture.
(03 Marks)
- ii) Describe current trends in industrial activities in the world.
(04 Marks)
- iii) Examine the contribution of the tertiary sector in carrying out human activities in a country.
(08 Marks)

05.

- i) Describe the term “Zero population growth”.
(03 Marks)
- ii) State four (04) suggestions, how population growth can be reduced in developing countries?
(04 Marks)
- iii) Briefly discuss the recent trends of world population growth
(08 Marks)

06.

- i) Name the main cultural ages of human evolution
(03 Marks)
- ii) Select one of the cultural age you mentioned in 6(i) and briefly discuss the major characteristics of its.
(04 Marks)
- iii) Citing suitable examples, how modern age human activities affected the environment.
(08 Marks)
