

**University of Colombo, Sri Lanka**  
**Faculty of Arts**  
**Fourth Year End Examination in Arts**  
**Semester I – 2021/2022**  
**INR 4186: Contemporary India**

Duration: **2 hours**

Answer **Any Three (03)** questions.

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1. 'The partition process in the Indian sub-continent after World War II has created the broader social unrest during the post-Independent India.' Comment on this statement. Substantiate your answer with relevant examples.
2. 'India's engagement with near neighbourhood states has deterred India's ability to project its power beyond the South Asian sub-continent.' Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Support your argument with relevant examples.
3. Answer **both** sections:
  - I. Discuss the significance of India's Indo-Pacific strategy.
  - II. Assess the key features of Indo-Lanka relations since 2010.
4. 'Diversity and complexity among Indian political parties have signified India as a unique democracy in the world'. Support your answer with relevant examples.
5. Answer **both** sections:
  - I. Critically assess the role of Indian Diaspora and its soft power projection capabilities abroad.
  - II. Assess the key challenges to India's evolving security strategy.

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