

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO-SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF ARTS

THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER II – 2016/2017

PSC – 3263 POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

TIME: TWO HOURS

Answer **THREE (03)** Questions only

Each answer carry a maximum of twenty (20) marks

1. Critically discuss the nature of political modernization and its effects on the democratic processes in the South Asian states.
2. Which model from the following represents public sovereignty best: presidential or parliamentary systems? Examine comparatively.
3. How do you identify political parties in modern political systems? What are your criticisms regarding the popular categorizations of the political party systems in deferent states?
4.
 - i. What is the background of the development of Sri Lanka's political parties and how do you identify basic features of the Sri Lankan party system?
 - ii. What trends can you identify in the political party system in Sri Lanka under the current political situation?
5. Discuss briefly the development of the Congress Movement in India. Critically examine the Congress party's current position within Indian party politics.
6. Examine briefly the main definitions of "bureaucracy". What role does bureaucracy play in states?
