

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO – SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF ARTS

THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER I – 2017/2018

PSC 3146 – ETHNICITY, NATION AND NATION-STATES

Time: Two (02) Hours

Answer only **three (03)** Questions.

Each answer will carry a maximum of **twenty (20)** marks.

1. Examine the concept of ethnicity and its origin.
2. (i) Define the concept of nationalism
(ii) Explain what are the socio-political implications of nationalism.
3. (i) Explain briefly the evolution of nation-states in Europe.
(ii) Examine the contrasting ideas on the characteristics and the future of nation states?
4. (i) How would you identify the concept of nation building ?
(ii) Briefly analyze the challenges related to the processes of nation building.
5. (i) How has the concept of peace-building been applied in the post-colonized 'fragile' states?
(ii) What are the criticisms on external party interferences in these states in the name of peace-building?
6. (i) How would you identify Sri Lanka's political issues from the perspective of ethnic relations?
(ii) What are the main constraints you see in finding durable solutions for the national question in Sri Lanka ?
