

**University of Colombo**  
**Faculty of Arts**  
**Bachelor of Arts Degree Examination– First Year**  
**Semester End Examination- Semester II - 2017/2018**  
**DMG 1204: Demography of Sri Lanka**

**Answer three (03) questions only**

**Time: Two (02) hours**

**This paper contains six (06) questions and one (01) page**

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1. “In comparison with other developing countries, Sri Lanka could be identified as a country that has special demographic characteristics”. Examine this statement by citing examples.  
(20 Marks)
  
2. “Fertility transition in Sri Lanka is the result of demographic, social and economic changes that experienced during different time periods.” Examine this statement.  
(20 Marks)
  
3. It could be accepted that a good health condition of the population and reduction mortality can be expected in a country by achieving the sustainable development goals. Examine this statement.  
(20 Marks)
  
4. a) Explain with examples the importance of considering population composition in formulating development plans and policies in a developing country like Sri Lanka.  
(10 Marks)
  
- b) Examine the factors affecting internal migration in developing countries by citing examples.  
(10 Marks)
  
5. a) What is meant by biological ageing?  
(05 Marks)
  
- b) Examine the issues that Sri Lanka face in addressing challenge of population ageing.  
(15 Marks)
  
6. Write short notes on the following topics
  - a) Urban poverty issues
  - b) Refugees’ issues
  - c) Sex composition related issues
  - d) Poverty alleviation programmes  
(05x04 =20 Marks)