

**UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA**  
**FACULTY OF ARTS**

**FOURTH YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS - (SEMESTER II) – 2016/17**  
**SOC 4272 – SOCIOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT**  
**(Two Hours)**

**Answer any THREE (03) questions**

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1. 'Per capita income of a given country is an accurate depiction of that country's level of development.' Discuss the above statement with reference to Amartya Sen's views.
2. 'The development levels of Third World countries depend on the results of capitalist global trends.' Critically discuss this statement with reference to Dependency Theory and World Systems Theory.
3. 'Modernization Theory observes development as a multidimensional phenomenon.' Discuss this statement with examples.
4. 'Even though the collapse of the Meethotamulla garbage dump has led to concerns about waste management in Sri Lanka, disasters of this nature caused by human activity are linked to a deeper discussion on 'sustainable development' which goes beyond this single incident. Critically examine this statement.
5. 'Globalization has become a flow that cannot be rejected by developing countries because citizens of these countries are constantly trying to gratify their needs in relation to citizens of developed countries.' Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons with reference to suitable theoretical views.
6. Does the empowerment of women in a specific society positively impact on the development of that country? Present your ideas assessing the importance of the contribution made by women in both economic and social arenas.

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