

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

SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER II – 2017/2018

**SOC 2228 – Understanding Sri Lankan Society and Cultural Diversity
Two (02) Hours**

Answer Three (03) questions only

1. Discuss the impact of British Colonialism towards the establishment of a Sri Lankan national education system in the 20th century.
2. Examine with examples the social changes that occurred in relation to caste and class with the emergence of the new bourgeoisie class in Colonial Sri Lanka.
3. Explain the views on identity formation during Colonial Sri Lanka with reference to Darini Rajasingham Senanayake's article "Identity on the Border line: Modernity, New Ethnicities and the unmaking of Multiculturalism in Sri Lanka."
4. 'The development of a country is mainly based on economic growth.' Paying attention to Sirimal Abeyrathne's book "ශ්‍රී ලංකාවේ ආර්ථිකය: 50 වසරක දුර්භාගය" examine this statement providing examples from economy in Sri Lanka after Independence.
5. Examine the importance of paying attention to the socio-cultural dimensions of the urban-poor community in the resettlement programmes of Colombo City.
6. Critically discuss the concept 'Popular Culture' using examples from the Sri Lankan context.
