



First Year (100 Level) Examination in Bachelor of Arts (External New Syllabus) (April 2017)

### ECNE 102 Comparative Economic Development

Answer **FIVE** questions selecting at least two from each part  
The total number of questions in this paper is 10.  
Marks allocated for each question indicated accordingly.  
( Three Hours )

#### Part I - United kingdom

1. (i) Describe the main economic features of feudalism in Great Britain. (10 Marks)  
(ii) Analyze the factors which contributed to its demise. (10Marks)
2. In what ways did the methods of agriculture in Britain change during the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries and what were its impact on agriculture?(20 marks)
3. (i) Outline briefly the technological progress made in cotton industry in Britain during the eighteenth century. (10 Marks)  
(ii) How do you distinguish the Second Phase of the Industrial Revolution in Great Britain from the First Phase. (10 Marks)
4. Trace the development of the railway network in Great Britain since the 1830s and discuss its social and economic effects. (20 Marks)
5. Write short notes on any **four** of the following with regard to Great Britain  
(i) Enclosure Movements  
(ii) The Corn Law of 1815  
(iii) Trade Unions between 1825-1870  
(iv) The Chartist movement  
(v) Factory Acts (04 x 05=20 Marks )

#### Part II - Sri Lanka

6. Critically examine the nature, effects and the importance of Colebrooke – Cameron reforms in Sri Lanka. (20 Marks)
7. Identify and explain the factors which led to the rapid growth and sudden decline of the coffee industry in Sri Lanka during the nineteenth century. (20 Marks)
8. Analyze the reasons for the existence of dualistic features in the Sri Lankan economy during the late nineteenth and the early twentieth centuries. (20 Marks)

9. Examine the reasons for the reluctance of the Kandyan peasants to accept wage employment in the plantation sector during the nineteenth century. (20 Marks)

10. Write short notes on any **four** of following with regard to Sri Lanka:

- (i) The Abolition of 'Rajakariya'
- (ii) The Crown Lands Ordinance
- (iii) The Cinnamon Trade between 1802-1833
- (iv) The Tea Industry between 1884-1896
- (v) The Currency Board System

(04 x 05=20 Marks )

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