



First Year (100 Level) Examination in Bachelor of Arts (External New Syllabus) (Dec 2018)

**ECNE 102 Comparative Economic Development**

Answer **FIVE** questions selecting at least two from each part  
Total number of questions in this paper is 10.  
Marks allocated for each question indicated accordingly.  
Time allocated: (03) Three Hours

**Part I - United Kingdom**

1. (i) What do you understand by the term 'feudalism' ? (05 Marks)  
(ii) State briefly the main economic features of feudalism and discuss the forces which led to the downfall of the feudal system in England. (15 Marks)
2. (i) What is meant by 'enclosures'? (06 marks)  
(ii) Examine the role and importance of the second enclosure movement in Great Britain. (14 Marks)
3. "Industrial development of England can be regarded as a long process rather than a sudden event." Discuss and comment. (20 Marks)
4. Critically examine the contributions of foreign trade and the colonies in promoting economic growth in England during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. (20 Marks)
5. Write short notes on any **four** of the following with regard to Great Britain:-
  - (i) Economic effects of the railway transport
  - (ii) The Corn Law of 1815
  - (iii) The major technological inventions in cotton industry
  - (iv) The doctrine of 'Laissez - faire'
  - (v) The Chartist Movement

(04 x 05=20 Marks )

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## Part II - Sri Lanka

6. Discuss the factors which led to the growth of tea industry in Sri Lanka during the latter part of the nineteenth century. (20 Marks)
  7. What impact did the British land policy have on Sri Lanka's peasant economy in the nineteenth century? (20 Marks)
  8. Analyze the reasons for the inadequacies in the supply side of the labour market in Sri Lanka during the coffee era. (20 Marks)
  9. "The plantation agriculture in Sri Lanka represents a developed form of production when compare it with the traditional peasant agriculture." Discuss and comment. (20 Marks)
  10. Write short notes on any **four** of following with regard to Sri Lanka:-
    - (i) The Waste Lands Ordinance
    - (ii) The Colebrooke Cameron Economic Reforms
    - (iii) Cinchona cultivation as an alternative plantation crop
    - (iv) The trade union movement during the British period
    - (v) The rubber industry between 1900-1934(04 x 05=20 Marks )
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