



UNIVERSITY OF PERADENIYA
CENTRE FOR DISTANCE AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

ශාස්ත්‍රවේදී උපාධි (බාහිර - නව නිර්දේශය) පරීක්ෂණය 300 මට්ටම - 2023
இளங்கலைமாணிப் பட்ட பரீட்சை (வெளிவாரி-புதிய பாடத்திட்டம்)
300 வது தேர்ச்சி மட்டம் 2023



Bachelor of Arts (External-New Syllabus) Examination 300 Level - 2023

ECNE 302 – Development Economics

Instructions:

1. This paper contains 06 questions. Answer FIVE questions only.
2. Marks will be deducted for illegible handwriting.
3. Time: Three (3) hours.

-
1. a) Explain the evolution of development concepts and theories. 12 Marks
b) What are the major development issues faced by the developing countries? Briefly explain your answer. 08 Marks
 2. “Economic and social transformations are important for rapid economic growth of developing countries”. Describe this statement taking experience from Sri Lanka. 20 Marks
 3. a) Differentiate the basic characteristics of urban labour market and rural labour market in the developing countries. 10 Marks
b) Briefly explain the different types of unemployment exist in the developing countries. 10 marks
 4. a) Briefly describe the relationship between inequality, poverty and economic development. 08 Marks
b) Explain the different measures of income inequality. 06 Marks
c) What are the policy options could be adopted by the governments of developing countries to eradicate poverty. Briefly illustrate your answers. 06 Marks
 5. a) Explain clearly the relationship between population growth and economic development by considering the different views expressed by the development economists. 12 Marks
b) Briefly explain the role of Education and Health in accelerating the economic development of developing countries 08 Marks

6. a) Why agriculture is considered as an important sector for economic development of developing countries. Briefly explain your answer. 08 Marks
- b) Describe the major issues faced by the developing countries when making effort to improve the living standard of rural population. 06 Marks
- c) Illustrate the policy measures could be incorporated by the governments to develop the agriculture sector in the developing countries. 06 Marks
7. By **selecting TWO** of the following set of concepts, clearly explain the relationship between them
- a) Saving, Investment and Economic Growth
 - b) Land Reforms and Rural Development
 - c) Population Growth, Poverty and Development
 - d) Educational and Skills Achievements and, Demand for Labour
 - e) Environment and Development

(10 Marks for each)