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GENERAL DEGREE EXAMINATION IN ARTS (EXTERNAL) – November 2021

HISTORY IV (HG-4)
History of Sri Lanka up to 1600 A.D

Three hours (03) only.

Answer **Four** questions only selecting at least **One** from **Each** part.

Illustrate your answer with sketch maps where appropriate.

Marks will be deducted for illegible hand writing.

The total number of questions in this paper is **ten (10)**

Part I

1. “The beginning of actual history of the country demarcates with the reign of Devanampiya Tissa” Analyze this statement.
2. Examine the relationship between the state and the religion during the Anuradhapura period.
3. “Ancient Sri Lankans were averse to trade” Analyze.
4. Critically analyze the South Indian invasions and their impact on Sri Lanka up to the 10th century A.D.
5. “All lands belong to the king” Examine this statement.

Part II

6. "King Nissankamalla was a political philosopher" Analyze.
7. Critically analyze the factors that led to the collapse of the Rajarata civilization.
8. Assess the career and achievement of king Parakkramabahu II.
9. Explain the way in which the contemporary political atmosphere of Sri Lanka influenced the expansion of the Portuguese power.
10. Write historical notes on the following.
 - 1) Pre and proto historic periods of the Island.
 - 2) Reigning period of Mahasena
 - 3) Irrigation works of the Anuradhapura
 - 4) History of the Jaffna kingdom.