- 5.
- (a) Calibration of a sprayer is crucial for efficient application of agrochemicals at the correct dosage. Critically discuss (15 marks).
- (b) Suppose a Knapsack sprayer has three nozzles with 1.5 feet spraying width and a half foot overlapping and each nozzle delivers 0.25 gal/minute at 25 psi pressure.
 - i. If the walking speed of a farmer is 250 ft/min, calculate the area that could be covered per minute. (Consider 1ac = 43560 sqft). (2 marks)
 - ii. What is the time needed to spray one acre? (3 marks)
 - iii. Calculate the gallons of agrochemical applied per acre. (3 marks)
 - iv. If the recommended chemical application is 10 oz Roundup per acre what is the amount of chemical needed per gallon of water? (2 marks)
- 6.
- a) Briefly discuss the special features of an Agricultural Tractor. (Your discussion should relate to pre-harvest and post-harvest operations) (15 marks).
- b) Briefly discuss following two systems of an engine (5 marks each)
 - i. Lubrication system
 - ii. Cooling system

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SECTION II: Answer any four (04) of the questions. You may spend 2 hours

- 1. Compare the following (5 marks each)
 - a) Internal combustion and external combustion engines
 - b) Air cooling and water-cooling systems of an engine
 - c) Spark ignition and compression ignition
 - d) Primary tillage and Secondary tillage
 - e) Disc plough and disk harrow

2.

- a) What do you understand by farm mechanization? (7 marks)
- b) Describe how farm mechanization could improve the land productivity (10 marks).
- c) What are the constraints for mechanization in Sri Lanka? (8 marks)
- 3. Write short notes on the following (5 marks each).
 - (a) Precision agriculture.
 - (b) Importance of keeping records of farm machinery.
 - (c) Direct and indirect sun driers.
 - (d) Solar hybrid drier.
 - (e) Ballasting.
- 4. Write notes on the following in relation to agricultural production. You should indicate the advantages and disadvantages of each method (5 marks each).
 - (a) Animal power
 - (b) Wind power
 - (c) Solar power
 - (d) Hydropower
 - (e) Biomass energy