



THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE (NATURAL SCIENCES)

- LEVEL 05

FINAL EXAMINATION - 2008

ESU 3117 - CHILD RIGHTS

DURATION : THREE (03) HOURS

DATE : 03rd September, 2008

TIME : 1.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.

Answer all questions in Part I and any three questions from Part II.

PART - I

01. Explain in term "Child Rights"
02. Define the concept of 'need' and 'duties' in relation to children.
03. Name three important participatory rights the children are entitled to.
04. State three conditions necessary for a child's survival and well being.
05. State the tree main principles that govern Child Rights.
06. State three factors that obstruct the effectiveness of communication aspects of Child Rights.
07. Name three strategies adopted to overcome the issue of street children in Sri Lanka.
08. What are the instruments that set out children's right?

PART – II

09. i. State two conditions that state parties recognize in terms of the Convention on Child Rights, related to the Right to Survival. (08 marks)
 ii. Discuss the factors that affect the right of child to survival in relation to health and nutritional status of mother and child. (12 marks)
10. i. What is meant by the principle of best interests of the child. (08 marks)
 ii. Discuss how Courts of Law settle custody and guardianship issues on the basis of this principle. (12 marks)
11. i. Who are the children considered is those placed in special circumstances. (08 marks)
 ii. State four agents who are responsible for the development of children in special circumstances and explain their functions. (12 marks)
12. i. Explain what is meant by Child Abuse. (05 marks)
 ii. What are the major forms of child abuse found in Sri Lanka. (07 marks)
 iii. Describe the content of one Act of Parliament which seeks to prevent child abuse in Sri Lanka. (08 marks)
13. Discuss how the following factors may affect the effective implementation of programmes formulated for awareness raising on Child Rights,
 i. Geographical distance
 ii. Social and economic distance
 iii. Drawback in the media network. (20 marks)
14. Write short notes on any two of the following.
 i. The principle for non discrimination.
 ii. Social development of children.
 iii. Child Protection Authority of Sri Lanka.
 iv. The British rule our country and Child Rights.
 v. Refugee children and their Rights.
 vi. Compulsory Education Regulation.

(10x2=20 marks)

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