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## Final Examination-2012/2013

## AEI3235 Land and Soil Tillage Management

Date

: 21.08.2013

Time

: 0930-1230

Duration

: Three (03) hours

## SECTION 2: Answer any four (04) questions.

1. (a) Discuss the direct impacts of soil tillage on Agricultural lands.

(b) Briefly explain that the creating of a hard pan is essential for growing certain crops.

- (c) Briefly explain the problems associated with plough
- 2. Discuss the factors that have great influence in land classification with suitable examples from Sri Lanka.
- 3. (a) What is meant by acid sulphate soils?
  - (b) Briefly explain the agricultural impacts of acid sulphate soils.
  - (c) Briefly explain how could you manage the /avoid the impact of acid sulphate soil.
- 4. Explain how could you assure optimum plant growth by minimizing adverse environment effects using best management practices(BMP's)
- 5. (a) What is meant by "Soil texture"?
  - (b) Briefly explain the importance of the knowledge of the soil texture in plant growth.
- 6. Write short notes on any three(03) of the following,
  - a) Mechanization of transplanting
  - b) Conservation tillage
  - c) Soil nutrients and plant growth
  - d) Laser land levelling