

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

B.Sc. DEGREE PROGRAMME – LEVEL 5

FINAL EXAMINATION – 2016/2017

COURSE TITLE –CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF BIODIVERSITY

COURSE CODE – ZLU 3182/ZLE 5182

DURATION – TWO HOURS

DATE - 06. 08.2017

TIME - 1. 00 pm - 3.00 pm

ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS. WHEREVER NECESSARY ILLUSTRATE ANSWERS WITH CLEARLY LABELED DIAGRAMS.

- i. Define the terms 'biodiversity' and "conservation."
  - ii. Discuss the ecosystem services provided by forest biodiversity for the well being of life on earth.
- 2. i. What are mass extinctions?
  - ii. How does habitat fragmentation contribute to species extinction?
- 3. i. List the IUCN categories of protected areas.
  - ii.Protected areas are crucial for the conservation of terrestrial, freshwater and marine environments. Elaborate on this statement.
- 4. Write an essay on traditional human communities of Sri Lanka, their ecological knowledge and sustainable practices.
- 5. Describe five major environmental issues faced by the world.
  Critically comment on 3(three) major environmental problems faced by Sri Lanka and strategies used to overcome them.
- 6. Write short notes on any two of the following topics.
  - i. Multilateral Environmental Agreements.
  - ii. IUCN categories of threatened species.
  - iii. Role of Zoological Gardens.

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