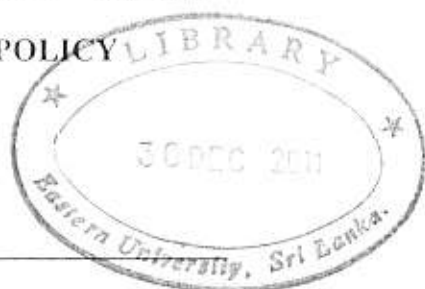


EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN AGRICULTURE – 2009/2010

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AEC 3101: AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY



Answer ALL Questions

Time allowed: 03 hours

1.
  - a) Explain the difference between the terms “Economic Growth” and “Economic development”.
  - b) What is meant by the term “Development Gap”, how it can be measured?
  - c) Outline the social and economic implications of population growth on developing country
  
2. Discuss the following briefly.
  - (a) Technology Transfer
  - (b) Rostow’s Growth Stages Theory
  - (c) Resource Exploitation Theory of Economic Development
  
3.
  - a) Discuss briefly the Theory of “Demographic Transition”.
  - b) What does the “Vicious Circle of Poverty” explain in the development process?
  - c) Explain the following:
    - (i) Basic Needs Approach,
    - (b) Effects of Brain Drain.
  
4.
  - a) Outline the sources of credit available to peasant farmers in Sri Lanka.
  - b) Briefly explain the role of credit in agricultural development.
  - c) What are the problems the government faces in provision of agricultural credits to small farmers?

5. a) What kind of risks do farmers face in agricultural production?  
b) Discuss the importance of insurance in agricultural production.  
c) Clearly explain about;  
    (i) Deficiency Payments,  
    (ii) Guaranteed Price Scheme.
6. a) How would Land Reform help raise agricultural production in developing countries?  
b) Discuss briefly the social and economic implications of land colonization and settlement in Sri Lanka.

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