

EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA
THIRD YEAR/ FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN AGRICULTURE -2004/2005
AEC 3101: AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY

Answer ALL Questions

Time allowed: 03 hours

01. a) For all of their diversity, less developed countries are linked together by a range of common problems. What are these problems?
- b) "Many third world nations are subject to dominance, dependence and vulnerability" in their relation with rich nations. Discuss.
02. a) Discuss the relationship between the age structure of a population and its dependency burden.
- b) Is the dependency burden higher or lower in third world countries? Explain.
- c) Describe briefly the Theory of Demographic Transition.
03. a) State the five stages in Rostow's growth theory and discuss the general characteristics of these stages.
- b) What is the 'Vicious Circle Argument'?
- c) Briefly discuss the role of the agricultural sector in Sri Lanka's economic development.
04. Explain the followings;
- a) Harrod-Domar's Growth Model
 - b) Physical Quality Life Index (PQLI)
 - c) Balanced Growth Theory
 - d) Foreign Aid

05. a) Discuss the major objectives of Land Reforms implemented in Sri Lanka.
- b) What were the motivations behind the implementation of land reform in Sri Lanka?
- c) How could land reform help to raise agricultural productivity?

06. a) Discuss the following:

- (i) Parity Price
- (ii) Guaranteed Price Scheme

b) Discuss briefly the social and economic implications of Land Colonization and Settlements in Sri Lanka.