

UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA
2018/2019 Academic Year
B. A. (Special) Degree - 2000 Level
2nd Semester Examination – 2020 March- August

SOC 22613 – Contemporary Social Institutions

Answer only four (04) questions.

Time: 03 Hours

1.
 - i. Define the term “Social structure”.

(05 Marks)
 - ii. What are the basic characteristics of social structure?

(05 Marks)
 - iii. Explain different levels of social structure.

(05 Marks)

2.
 - i. What do you mean by social institutions?

(05 Marks)
 - ii. List out the levels of social institutions in sociology.

(05 Marks)
 - iii. Briefly describe the five (05) main functions of social institutions.

(05 Marks)

3.
 - i. Explain G. P. Mardock’s definition on human family.

(05 Marks)
 - ii. Examine Morgan’s explanation of the evolution of the human family.

(05 Marks)
 - iii. Analyze the concept of the symmetric family.

(05 Marks)

4.
 - i. Investigate E.R. Leach’s view on human marriage.

(05 Marks)
 - ii. What are the reasons for the origin of homo-sexual marriage? explain.

(05 Marks)

- iii. Describe the recent trends of marriage in contemporary Sri Lankan society. (05 Marks)
- 5.
- i. What are the changes in Buddhism and Buddhist assent in contemporary Sri Lanka? (05 Marks)
- ii. What is the "Protestant Buddhism" according to Gananatha Obeyesekere? (05 Marks)
- iii. Who is the "Militant Monk" according to Stanley Tambiah? Explain. (05 Marks)
- 6.
- i. How can you define education as a social institution? (05 Marks)
- ii. Briefly explain functional perspective on education. (05 Marks)
- iii. "Education is a weapon which you can use to change the society." Discuss this statement using appropriate examples. (05 Marks)
7. Make brief notes on **two (02)** of the following topics.
- i. The relationship between religion and politics in Sri Lanka.
- ii. Concept of welfare state.
- iii. Human inter-relationships in a transnational society.

(7.5 x 02 = 15 Marks)

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