University of Ruhuna

2017/2018 Academic Year Master of Arts in Economics

1st Semester End Examination - Dec. 2018/ January 2019 MAE 5103 - Sri Lankan Economy

Answer **four (04)** questions selecting two (02) from sub – section I and II.

Time: 3 Hours

I - Part

01. I. What do you mean by economic globalization?

(03 Marks)

II. How do you explain the impact of globalization on global trade?

(06 Marks)

III. What are the positive and negative impacts of globalization on developing countries?

(06 Marks)

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02. I. Differentiate the labour productivity and total factor productivity.

(04 Marks)

II. Describe the relationship between productivity and economic growth.

(04 Marks)

III. Show the policy measures to improve productivity.

(07 Marks)

- 03. Provide descriptive notes any three (03) of following.
 - I. Salient features of rural poverty in Sri Lanka.
 - II. The main policy measures implemented in Sri Lanka for alleviating poverty.
 - III. Pro poor growth
 - IV. Macro economic instability in Sri Lanka

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04. I. What are the major reasons to drawback of the agricultural sector in Sri Lanka at present?

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II. Explain the important of food security for Sri Lanka.

(05 Marks)

III. Discuss the important of paddy farming in Sri Lanka.

(05 Marks)

05. I. "Sri Lanka attempts to attract adequate foreign direct investment (FDI) as a significant strategy to enhance the overall investment level." What are the favorable factors and constraints behind this effort in the current socio – economic environment in Sri Lanka.

(08 Marks)

II. External trade balance in Sri Lanka has sluggish rapidly in recent years. What are the major factors behind this statement and explain the economic impact of this incidence.

(07 Marks)

06. I. Explain how does significant the migrant workers to Sri Lankan economy? (05 Marks)

II. Identify the major changes that have taken place in the population age structure of Sri Lanka in recent past.

(05 Marks)

III. "The female labor force participation rate in Sri Lanka has remained stagnant at relatively a lower level in recent decades" What are the reasons for lower rate of female participation in the labor force.

(05 Marks)