UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA

Master of Arts in Peace and Development Studiers 3rd Semester Examination- February 2017

PDS 6332: Natural Resource Conflict

Answer any four (04) questions

Time: 3 hours

01. Examine how increase in human population and over utilization of natural resources can result in world natural resource conflicts with reference to 'Demographic Transition Theory', 'Malthusian Theory' and 'Neo-Malthusian Theory'. (15 marks)

02. "The global capitalist economic system and core-peripheral dependency patterns have caused unequal distribution of natural resources and it has led to world natural resource conflicts". Critically examine the above statements giving suitable examples (15marks)

03.

i. Briefly explain the concepts of 'Environmentalism' and 'Political Ecology.'

(5marks)

ii. Examine the importance of political, economic and socio-culturally integrated approaches to world natural resource management using relevant theories.

(10 marks)

04. How can 'Himalayan Degradation Theory' be practically used to explain natural resource degradation in the South Asian context?

(15 marks)

05. Assess theoretical and practical effectiveness of 'Community Based Forest Management' approach giving relevant examples.

(15 marks)

06. Write short notes on any two (02) of the following.

1. Deep ecology, shallow ecology and spiritual ecology (7.5 marks) 2. Biodiversity degradation (7.5 marks) 3. Global water crisis (7.5 marks)