EASTERN UNI VERSITY SRILANKA FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN AGRICULTURE (2010/2011) (Jan/Feb/ March 2012)

AE 1101 – FARM MECHANIZATION Practical Examination

Answer all questions

Time: 02 hrs

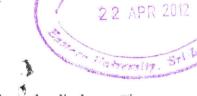
- 01. A four cylinder 4 stroke diesel engine has a cylinder bore of 30 mm and piston stroke of 100 mm. The engine develops 40 kW at 2000 rpm with a mechanical efficiency of 75% when coupled to a dynamometer. Determine the indicated mean effective pressure and the brake power.
- 02. (a) Briefly describe the operating principle of a piston type knapsack sprayer
 - (b) The following data were obtained during the calibration process of a piston type knapsack sprayer

Speed of advance = 3 m / min

Volume flow rate = 500 ml/min

Swath width = 1.5 m at a nozzle height of 1m from the ground

Determine the volume application rate of this sprayer.



- 03. (a) A pump operator indentified a problem of no water delivery from the discharge pipe.

 Give at least 5 possible reasons and solutions to overcome this problem.
 - (b) List out the factors considered in selecting a pump for a particular site.
- 04. (a) How can you distinguish a 'disc plough' from a 'disc harrow' based on their design (structure) and function?
 - (b) Discuss about the structural features and operational advantages of a spring loaded tine cultivator (tine tiller).