EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN AGRICULTURE – 2005/2006 (August – 2011)

AEC 3101: AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY

EXTERNAL DEGEREE

Answer ALL Questions Time allowed: 03 hours

- 1. a) What is meant by the term 'Development Gap'? How can it be measured?
 - b) Clearly explain the terms:
 - (i) Gini Co-efficient
 - (ii) Human Development Index (HDI)
 - c) For all of their diversity, less developed countries are linked together by a range of common problems. What are these problems?
- 2. a) Briefly discuss the "Demographic Transition" process.
 - b) Outline the social and economic implications of population growth on a developing country.
- 3. Write SHORT NOTES on the following;
 - (a) Physical Quality Life Index (PQLI)
 - (b) Basic Needs Approach
 - (c) Brain Drain
- 4. a) What does Technology Transfer mean and how does it occur in developing countries?
 - b) Briefly outline the role of Foreign Aid in development.
 - c) Explain the 'Vicious Circle of Poverty'.

- 5. a) Briefly discuss the role of the agricultural sector in Sri Lanka's economic development process.
 - b) Clearly explain the following:
 - (i) Deficiency Payments
 - (ii) Guaranteed Price Scheme
- 6. a) What do you understand by the term 'Agricultural Policy'?
 - b) What are objectives of Agricultural Price Policy?
 - c) Briefly describe about the Parity Price Policy:
