## EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

## FINAL YEAR FIRST SEMSTER EXAMINATION IN AGRICULTURE 2007 / 2008 AGB 4114 – INSECT PHYSIOLOGY (2: 30/00)

Answer All Questions Time allowed: 02 hours

- 1) Differentiate the following
  - a) Allelochemicals and Pheromones
  - b) Passive absorption and Active absorption
  - c) Prohaemocytes and Plasmatocytes
  - d) Allomones and Kairomones
- 2) Briefly describe
  - a) the factors influencing the food selection in monophagous insects
  - b) the courtship mechanism found in Silkworm insect
- 3) Discuss the underlying mechanism of following pest management strategies
  - a) Mixing of wood ash with grains
  - b) Spraying "ecdysone" when the last larval instars of brinjal shoot and pod borer (*Leucinodes orbanalis*) present in the field
- 4) Write a brief account on
  - a) the importance of pheromones in insect pest management
  - b) the absorption processes of protein and mineral in insect