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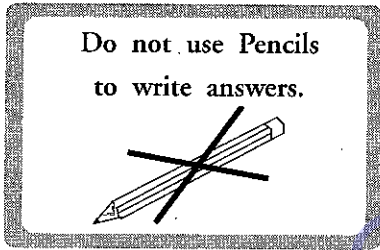
Open Competitive Examination for Recruitment to Grade III of the
Sri Lanka Administrative Service - 2013 (2014)

(02) Social, Economic, Political Background and Trends in Sri Lanka

Three hours

Instructions to candidates

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- * This paper consists of Part I and Part II with 40 questions on 06 pages.
- * Before answering the paper arrange all the pages in order.
- * Answer all questions in Part I on this paper itself and answer all questions in Part II on the given sheets of paper.
- * The time allocated is three hours.
- * Commence answering only after the Centre Supervisor's announcement.
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- * Even if you are not attempting the paper hand it over to the Supervisor.
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Part I

- In each question from No 1 to 20 select the **correct** or the **most suitable** answer and write the **number** of the relevant choice **on the dotted line** given against the question.

1. In which year was the current Sri Lanka Administrative Service established after scrapping the Ceylon Civil Service which was established under The Colebrooke Reforms proposals in 1833?
(1) 1956 (2) 1960 (3) 1963 (4) 1972 (.....)
2. Which one of the following shows **four** national heritage sites in Sri Lanka declared by the UNESCO?
(1) Sigiriya, Rangiri Dambulu Temple, Dalada Maligawa, Galle Fort
(2) Sigiriya, Matale Aluviharaya, Embekka Devala, Kataragama
(3) Matale Aluviharaya, Sinharaja Forest, Galle Fort, Kataragama
(4) Rangiri Dambulu Viharaya, Embekke Devala, Sinharaja Forest, Dalada Maligawa (.....)
3. Which of the following was the first Colonisation Scheme for farmers in Sri Lanka?
(1) Galoya (2) Minipe (3) Minneriya (4) Giritale (.....)
4. According to 1978 Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, what is the **minimum** tenure in years that should be completed for a new Presidential election by a person who holds the Presidency?
(1) 3 (2) 4 (3) 5 (4) 6 (.....)
5. Where was the first Centre for Research and Development of fruits opened recently?
(1) Embilipitiya (2) Malwana (3) Bibile (4) Horana (.....)
6. Which of the following **can not be considered** as a cause for the prevalence of the contribution, made by the hydro-power, to the total production of Electric Power of the country at a low level?
(1) Depletion of water retained in reservoirs due to climatic changes.
(2) Increase in the production of by alternative sources of power.
(3) Not properly maintaining the hydro-power stations and catchment areas.
(4) Maximum usage of existing hydroelectric power sources. (.....)
7. According the Central Bank Report of Sri Lanka in 2013, which of the following shows the **four** imported goods on which the highest amount of foreign exchange was spent in their descending order correctly?
(1) Fuel, machinery and equipment, textiles and textile articles, food and beverages
(2) Fuel, food and beverages, machinery and equipment, textiles and textile articles
(3) Fuel, textiles and textile articles, food and beverages, machinery and equipment
(4) Fuel, food and beverages, textiles and textile articles, machinery and equipment (.....)
8. Which is the Sri Lanka Telecom hotline number for which complaints on consumer goods should be made?
(1) 1919 (2) 1929 (3) 1967 (4) 1977 (.....)
9. Out of the currencies in the countries of the SAARC region, which one of the following countries has the highest exchange rate relative to Sri Lankan rupee?
(1) Nepal (2) Bhutan (3) Maldives (4) India (.....)

10. Which of the following is **incorrect** regarding the Committee on Public Enterprises (COPE)?
 (1) Scrutinizes the annual accounts of State and semi-state institutions.
 (2) Takes legal steps on bribery and corruption in State and semi-state institutions.
 (3) Consists of Members of the Parliament from the Government Party and the Opposition.
 (4) The tenure of office ends after every Parliament session. (.....)
11. In which city is the Institute of Fundamental Studies situated?
 (1) Colombo (2) Kandy (3) Kurunegala (4) Anuradhapura (.....)
12. Which one of the following Districts has the **minimum** population of Sri Lanka at present?
 (1) Kilinochchi (2) Mullaitivu (3) Mannar (4) Vauniya (.....)
13. Which of the following is a **mismatch**?
 (1) Arthor C. Clark - Engineering Technology
 (2) Senaka Bibile - National Policy on Drugs
 (3) Jeffrey Bawa - Architecture
 (4) N.A.S. Kulasinghe - Concrete Technology (.....)
14. Which one of the following is the achiever of most double centuries in the Test Cricket history of Sri Lanka?
 (1) Aravinda De Silva (2) Sanath Jayasooriya
 (3) Mahela Jayawardene (4) Kumar Sangakkara (.....)
15. Where is the University established for the award of Vocational Technology Diplomas and Degrees in Sri Lanka?
 (1) Badulla (2) Belihuloya (3) Moratuwa (4) Ratmalana (.....)
16. Which one of the following correctly states the **three** Sri Lankans who won the 'Magsaysay' award of the Philippines?
 (1) Ediriweera Sarathchandra, Premasiri Khemadasa, Fr. Don Peter Pillai
 (2) A.T. Ariyaratne, W.D. Amaradeva, Fr. Merceline Jayakody
 (3) Lester James Peiris, Arthur C. Clark, Chandra Wickramasinghe
 (4) L.T.P. Manjushri, Cyril Ponnampemura, Gunapala Malalasekara (.....)
17. Which of the following groups includes only the main reservoirs of the Mahaweli Development Project?
 (1) Victoria, Kotmale, Randenigala, Maduruoya, Moragahakanda
 (2) Victoria, Kotmale, Lunugamvehera, Maduruoya, Moragahakanda
 (3) Victoria, Lakshapana, Randenigala, Maduruoya, Moragahakanda
 (4) Victoria, Randenigala, Inginimitiya, Maduruoya, Moragahakanda (.....)
18. From which country did the highest number of tourists come to Sri Lanka in 2013?
 (1) United Kingdom (2) China (3) India (4) Germany (.....)
19. Which one is **not** a reason for the recent escalation of the transition of diseases from communicable diseases to non-communicable diseases in Sri Lanka?
 (1) Increase of elderly population (2) Urbanization
 (3) Change in personal lifestyles (4) Misusage of health habits (.....)
20. Which of the following is entrusted with all the administrative powers of the Employees Trust Fund which was established with the intention of providing retirement benefits for the employees in the private and semi-government institutions?
 (1) Governor of the Central Bank
 (2) Commissioner of Labour
 (3) Secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration
 (4) Director General of Pensions (.....)

(01 × 20 = 20 marks)

- In each question from No. 21 to 30 write the correct **answer on the dotted line** provided.

21. Which institute introduced in 2008 the "Sri Lanka Prosperity Index" as a composite index for estimating the standard of prosperity in each Province and the whole of Sri Lanka?
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22. Under which Ministry is the Sri Lanka Inventors Commission established?
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23. What is the well-known building constructed in Sri Lanka according to the architectural design of the of Parthenon Church in Greece?
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24. What is the index used to measure inflation level of Sri Lanka at present?
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25. What is the Department established recently by amalgamating the Samurdhi Authority of Sri Lanka, Southern Development Authority of Sri Lanka and the Udarata Development Authority of Sri Lanka?
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26. According to present regulations of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, what should be the **minimum** Capital Adequacy Ratio which should be maintained by every Licensed Commercial Bank?
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27. Which Court in Sri Lanka has the legal authority of inquiring complains on violation of Human Rights of Sri Lankan citizens?
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28. For which event did Sri Lanka obtain a Silver medal at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow-2014?
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29. What is the age group from which information is collected to calculate the Sri Lanka Labour Force Participation ratio?
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30. In which year did the first Parliamentary election held in Sri Lanka under the proportional representation system?
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(01 × 10 = 10 marks)

- In each question from No. 31 to 35 write the correct **answer in short, on the dotted line** provided.

31. Some constitutional experts state that the 1978 Constitution of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has provided more provisions to uphold the sovereignty of the people than the Constitutions in the past.
 - (i) Mention **two** reasons for the importance of upholding the sovereignty of the people in a country such as Sri Lanka where there is a democratic administrative structure.
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (ii) State **two** provisions in the Constitution of Sri Lanka in 1978 in upholding the sovereignty of the people?
 - (a)
 - (b)

(iii) Based on the past experiences of implementing these provisions, state **two** problems that can be faced when implementing them in practice.

(a)

(b)

32. The Central Bank Reports show that there was an increase in the export income in Sri Lanka in the year 2013 when compared with the year 2012.

(i) Mention **two** main reasons for the increase of export income of Sri Lanka in the year 2013 relative to 2012.

(a)

(b)

(ii) State **two** reasons for the low export income of Sri Lanka in 2012.

(a)

(b)

(iii) Mention **two** alternative measures that can be taken for further increase of export income of Sri Lanka.

(a)

(b)

33. At present priority is given for the development of infrastructure facilities under the economic development programme in Sri Lanka and a large amount of money has already been spent on this.

(i) Mention **two** fields that can be considered as infrastructure facilities.

(a)

(b)

(ii) Mention **two** reasons for considering development of infrastructure facilities as a priority in the economic development of Sri Lanka.

(a)

(b)

(iii) Mention **two** other difficulties apart from financial difficulties faced in developing infrastructure facilities in Sri Lanka.

(a)

(b)

34. Information and Communication Technology is becoming a job generating field that can earn foreign exchange to Sri Lanka at present.

(i) Mention **two** new job fields in Sri Lanka, based on Information and Communication Technology which brings in foreign exchange on a large scale.

(a)

(b)

(ii) Mention **two** ways in which Information and Communication Technology is contributing to the development of industries and trade in Sri Lanka.

(a)

(b)

(iii) State **two** strategies adopted for the development of Information and Communication Technology by the government of Sri Lanka.

- (a)
- (b)

35. It is mentioned in one of the UNESCO reports, that more financial investment should be allocated on Primary level education development than on the Secondary and Tertiary level in developing countries such as Sri Lanka.

(i) Mention **two** reasons why it is important for investing more on Primary level education development continuously than other levels in a country like Sri Lanka.

- (a)
- (b)

(ii) Mention **two** social benefits that can be gained by investing in the Primary level education development.

- (a)
- (b)

(iii) Mention **two** measures taken by the Government of Sri Lanka recently for the education development of Primary level.

- (a)
- (b)

(06 × 5 = 30 marks)

Part II

● For each question from No 36 to 40 write the answers on the given sheets of paper.

36. Over-advertising by the media in the present economic setup of Sri Lanka creates a socially and economically adverse influence.

Examine **four** effective measures that could be followed to minimize these influences. (08 marks)

37. According to latest Reports by the United Nation's Development Programme (UNDP) on Human Development Index Sri Lanka earned the 73rd place out of 187 countries.

Evaluate **four** strategies that could be implemented for the further improvement of Human Development Index in Sri Lanka. (08 marks)

38. The Youth of Sri Lanka which has inherited an ancient culture is facing a cultural conflict because of the influence of the Western culture.

Examine **four** remedial measures that could be taken to rescue the youth of Sri Lanka from this situation. (08 marks)

39. A social discourse has emerged for the need of a new Constitution instead of 1978 Constitution of Sri Lanka as a remedial measure for the present social and political conflicts.

State **four** proposals with reasons, to include in a new Constitution which is to be introduced as a remedy for the present social and political conflicts. (08 marks)

40. The Social Globalization of Sri Lanka not being taking place parallel to the Economic globalization process in the past few decades is the main reason for some of the social crisis in Sri Lanka today.

Examine **four** measures that could be followed to face this situation successfully. (08 marks)