

RAJARATA UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

B.Sc. (General) Degree in Applied Sciences
Third Year - Semester I Examination - October/ November 2015

BIO 3109 - NATURE TOURISM

Time: 11/2 hours

Answer three (03) questions only



- 1. a) Why is ecotourism hard to define?
 - b) What are the key elements of the tourism industry? Briefly discuss these elements in relation to mass and alternative tourism paradigms.
- 2. Briefly describe the key elements of ecotourism and compare and contrast ecotourism from other forms of nature-based tourism.
- 3. a) Outline the significance of tour agents and operators in the ecotourism industry.
 - b) How do accreditation and certification differ and how might they contribute to a heightened level of professionalism in the field?
- 4. a) Discuss the flow of revenue from tourism in local economies and how forms of tourism such as alternative tourism may help minimize "leakages" in an economy.
 - b) Outline the different tourism site management techniques utilized by natural resource managers.