

RAJARATA UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

B.Sc. (General) Degree in Health Promotion Third Year - Semester II Examination - April/May, 2016

HPT 3205 - HEALTHY PUBLIC POLICY AND LEGISLATION

Time: Two (02) hours

Answer all four (4) questions.

1. a. Explain the key aspects of "Right to Health" as defined by World Health Organization.

(40 Marks)

b. Briefly explain the difference between "The Right to Health and "Right to be Healthy".

(20 Marks)

c. Describe the general obligations of the State to ensure "Right to Health" in the country.

(40 Marks)

2. a. Describe how reorienting health services can improve health in Sri Lanka.

(30 Marks)

- b. Somalatha, a 35 year old woman, lives with her husband and two children aged 8 and 3 years. Her husband has been verbally and physically abusing her for the past eight months. Though Somalatha was badly injured on two occasions and had to be treated at the nearby hospital, she has been bearing the beatings in silence, informing the doctors that her injuries were due to minor accidents. However, the most recent beating left her with a fractured arm and finally led her to seek legal assistance. Because of her two children, Somalatha has opted against divorce.
 - i. Explain how and under which legal act Somalatha could initiate action in a judicial court to get relief from her current plight.

(30 Marks)

ii. Explain how a judicial court could provide a solution for Somalatha.

(40 Marks)

3. a. Explain how the use of ethyl alcohol becomes pleasurable for some users.

(30 Marks)

b. Describe five strategies that effectively reduce alcohol consumption in a community.

(30 Marks)

c. Describe the various provisions incorporated in the National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Act No. 27 of 2006 to discourage young people from initiating smoking.

(40 Marks)

4. a. Explain the term "Healthy Public Policy".

(20 Marks)

b. Explain three public policy decisions that could be made to reduce sugar intake in the general population.

(20 Marks)

c. Using one of the above policies mentioned in 3 (b) as an example, describe the advocacy process that could be conducted in order to bring it into operation.

(60 Marks)