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B.Sc. Degree in Health Promotion Third Year – Semester II Examination – Sep/Oct 2013

HPT 3205 - HEALTHY PUBLIC POLICY & LEGISLATION

Time: 2 hours

Answer all four (04) questions Illustrate your answers with labeled diagrams where appropriate.

1. a). Discuss the statement: "As recognized by the United Nations declarations, ensuring improvement of physical, mental, and social wellbeing of citizens is an obligation of the government".

(60 marks)

b). Briefly discuss the relationship between general health status, healthcare system and the economy of the country in relation to public policy formulation.

(40 marks)

2. a). Briefly describe four (04) strategies that effectively reduce alcohol use in a given community.

(40 marks)

b). The preamble of the National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol (NATA) Act No. 27 of 2006 states: "...to make provision discouraging persons, especially children, from smoking or consuming alcohol by curtailing their access to tobacco products and alcohol products, and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto". Explain the various provisions incorporated in the NATA Act No. 27 of 2006 to achieve the said objective in its preamble.

(60 marks)

3. a). Describe the salient features of the Mental Health Policy of Sri Lanka 2005 – 2015 published by Mental Health Directorate of the Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition.

(50 marks)

b). Describe the relevant provisions incorporated in the Domestic Violence Act No 34 of 2005 to address and remedy the situation in the case of a child aged 12 years subjected to continuous harassment by his/her step father.

(50 marks)

- 4. a). Define and explain what you understand by:
 - i. A healthy public policy

(20 marks)

ii. Advocacy for policy formulation

(20 marks)

b). Explain the recommendations towards creating an environment conducive to the formulation of healthy public policies, reached at the Adelaide Conference on Health Promotion.

(60 marks)