



**Uva Wellassa University**  
**Faculty of Animal Science and Export Agriculture**  
**BSc in Tea Technology and Value Addition**



**End Semester Examination – August/September 2014**  
**Year III Semester II**

**Organic Tea Production and Certification TEA 333-2**

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**Instructions**

Answer **Two (02)** questions only

No. of question : Four (04)

No. of pages : Two (02)

Time : One hour (01)

Total marks allocated : 50 %

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**Part II - Essay**

**Question 01**

Briefly discuss the following statement;

- a. In high value plantation commodity like tea, there is good scope for switching over to organic farming
- b. Potential of organic tea production in Sri Lanka as a measure of environmental management in up country.

(25 marks)

**Question 02**

Discuss the agronomic practices that are adopted in organically certified tea production including suitable examples from your exposure visits to organically certified tea estates.

(25 marks)

**Question 03**

Discuss the alternative non-chemical methods of pest, disease and weed controls that are used in tea plantations confirming with the organic agriculture certification.

(25 marks)

#### **Question 04**

Recently established tea smallholders' association is currently in the process of obtaining organic certification as they see the numerous benefits of organic certification.

You have been appointed as a consultant to accomplish this target. You will need to make a presentation to the tea smallholders' to discuss the way to obtain an organic certificate.

Prepare a report including the things will need to be addressed in moving this target forward.

Clue;

In your presentation you should cover following information.

- Establishment and maintenance of organic tea plantations
- Post harvest and manufacturing practices of organic tea
- Purpose of certification
- Importance of having group certification
- Principles in certification procedure
- Key steps in standard certification

(25 marks)