Type/Status: CoreCourse Code: TCRM 21444Title: Society and Polity in Modern Sri Lanka

## **Learning Outcome:**

At the end of this course unit students will be able to demonstrate an essential knowledge of the post independent history, society and polity of Sri Lanka and its significance to the tourism industry.

## **Course Content:**

A detailed study into the ethnic groups of Sri Lanka, key trends in the social and political history of post independent Sri Lanka, social stratification, religion, language and social structure, the ethnic crisis of Sri Lanka, recent economic policies etc which affected tourism, village community, the Vedda community of Sri Lanka.

Method of teaching and learning: Lectures, seminars, tutorials, and field studies

Scheme of Assessment: End of Semester written examination, tutorials and presentations

## **Recommended Reading:**

De Silva, K.M. (Ed.) (1973) University of Ceylon History of Ceylon Volume III: from the beginning of the nineteenth century to 1948, Peradeniya University, Peradeniya

----- (1965) Social Policy and Missionary Organizations in Ceylon 1840-1853, Longman, London

----- (2005) *History of Sri Lanka*, Vijitha Yapa Publications, Colombo, Sri Lanka Hussein, Ameena (Ed.) (2004) *Race: identity, caste and conflict in the South Asian context* International Centre for Ethnic Studies, Sri Lanka

Siriweera, W.I (1994) Study of the Economic History of pre-modern Sri Lanka, Vikas House Publishing, India