

Course Code: ANTH E3025

Type/Status: Core

Title: Anthropology and Primitive Society

Learning Outcome: By the end of this course unit, the student will be able to demonstrate the knowledge and an understanding of the Social organization of primitive societies of the world with special reference to South Asia and their material culture.

Course Contents: Introduction to primiSri Lankan Settlements, Anthropological study on traditional village, rural communities of South Asia (Establishment and development), Organization of traditional village, Architecture and technology, Social Hierarchy, Economic and political structure, Folk arts and folklore, Folklores related to Sri Lanka's main communities, Cultural resource management in traditional communities, Beliefs and rituals

Method of Teaching and Learning: Lectures, assignments, Discussions, Field Studies

Scheme of Evaluation: End of semester written examination, assignment, presenting research papers with use of Visual media

Recommended Reading:

Radcliffe- Brown, A.R. (1922). *Andaman Islanders: a study in social anthropology*, UK: Cambridge University Press.

Radcliffe- Brown, A.R. (1965). *Structure and function in primitive society*. UK: Free Press

Furer-Haimenborf, Christoph Von (1966). *South Asian Societies*, New Delhi: Sterling Publishers.

Schmid, Robert and Fritz Trupp. (2004). *Tribal Asia: ceremonies, ritual and dress*, UK: Thames and Hudson.

Terrell, John E. (1986). *Prehistory in the Pacific Islands: a study of variation in language, customs and human biology*, Cambridge University Press.