



PAPER II · QUESTION 13 · MODEL ANSWER

**WORKING ABROAD**

DISCUSS BOTH VIEWS

UNIT 08 — EMPLOYMENT

172 WORDS

OVERDUE UNIT

THE QUESTION

Some people believe that young Sri Lankans should seek employment abroad because salaries and opportunities are better. Others think that qualified people should remain and build their careers in their own country. Discuss both views and give your opinion.

INTRO

Every year, thousands of young Sri Lankans leave the country to work abroad. Some people support this, while others believe that qualified people should remain at home. Both sides have strong arguments.

VIEW 1

Those who support migration think mainly about money. Salaries in other countries are often three or four times higher than salaries here. Workers can support their families, build a house and give their children a better education. The money they send home is also important for our economy.

VIEW 2

However, others say that the country loses too much. When doctors, engineers and teachers leave, the government loses the free education it gave them. Hospitals and schools are left without enough staff. Families are also separated for many years, and children grow up without their parents.

OPINION

In my opinion, people have the right to decide about their own future, and nobody should be blamed for going abroad. However, I hope our country will improve salaries and working conditions, so that talented young people will want to stay and serve their own nation.

WHY IT SCORES · C - L - O

Content: both sides get three reasons each, and the writer's own opinion is clearly given — the mark most students lose. Language: short, correct sentences with ordinary vocabulary. Organisation: On the one hand / On the other hand / In my opinion.