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ECONOMICS

(Core)

Paper : C-14

(Development Economics—II)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer the following as directed : 1×8=8

(a) Define crude birth rate.

(b) What is hidden momentum of population growth?

(c) Asian tenancy is characterized by

(i) sharecropping

(ii) fixed rent tenancy

(iii) both sharecropping and fixed rent tenancy

(iv) reverse tenancy

(Choose the correct option)

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- (d) What is Marshallian inefficiency?
- (e) Mention one economic function of a community.
- (f) Perfect property rights markets are characterised by
- (i) universality
 - (ii) exclusivity
 - (iii) transferability
 - (iv) All of the above
- (Choose the correct option)
- (g) What is import substitution?
- (h) "The causes which determine the economic progress of nations belong to the study of international trade" is a statement given by
- (i) Marshall
 - (ii) Ricardo
 - (iii) Smith
 - (iv) Ohlin

2. Write short notes on any *four* of the following
(within 150 words each) :

4×4=16

- (a) Determinants of fertility
- (b) Nutrition and labour productivity
- (c) Sustainable development

- (d) Distinction between static and dynamic gains from trade
- (e) International trade as a stimulus to growth

3. (a) What is age structure of a population? Explain the relationship between structure of a population and its dependency burden. Is the dependency burden higher or lower in developing countries? Why? 3+5+3=11

Or

- (b) Give your arguments in support of and against the statement, "the population growth is a serious problem in developing countries." 11

4. (a) Discuss briefly the relationship between land reforms and agricultural productivity. 11

Or

- (b) What is a credit market? Mention the features of informal credit markets. Also discuss how the hidden information problem be effectively dealt with the microfinance. 2+4+5=11

5. (a) What is meant by a community? How can the community help in economic development? Discuss. 2+9=11

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Or

(b) What are the common property resources? Discuss the problems faced by the common property resources. Also give suggestions to manage such resources by the communities. 2+5+4=11

6. (a) Define and explain the idea of sustainable development. How have the international organizations responded to the ideas of sustainable development? 6+5=11

Or

(b) Discuss the concept of environmental externalities. Also give ways to tackle the problems of environmental externalities. 6+5=11

7. (a) Critically discuss the Prebisch-Singer hypothesis. 12

Or

(b) What are multilateral trade agreements? Give economic arguments for multilateral trade agreements.
