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ECONOMICS

(Major)

Course : 604

(Economic Issues of Assam)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32/24

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Answer the following/Choose the correct answer : 1×8=8
- (a) Which mineral resource is called black gold in Assam?
- (i) Crude oil
- (ii) Coal
- (iii) Natural gas
- (iv) All of the above
- (b) What is the literacy rate of Assam as per 2011 Census?
- (c) Write the full form of MSME in Assam, India.

(d) Which of the following industries in Assam earns foreign exchange?

(i) Tea

(ii) Tourism

(iii) Handloom and handicrafts

(iv) All of the above

(e) Mention one advantage of jute cultivation in Assam.

(f) Which of the following is exclusively produced in Assam?

(i) Nylon

(ii) Endi silk

(iii) Muga

(iv) Cotton

(g) Write any one measure taken in the Union Budget, 2017-2018 for the development of railway services in Assam.

(h) Write one recent development in Assam that will help human resource development.

2. Write notes on any *four* of the following (within 150 words each) : 4×4=16

(a) Occupational distribution in Assam

(b) Prospects of horticulture in Assam

(c) Problems of tourism industry

- (d) Two problems and two merits of roadways in Assam
- (e) Border trade

Answer the following questions (within 500 words each) :

3. (a) Explain the trend and composition of population growth in Assam. $5+7=12$

Or

- (b) Discuss the following as the sources of economic development of Assam : $4+4+4=12$
- (i) Mineral resources
- (ii) Water resources
- (iii) Human resources

4. (a) Explain the steps taken by the government for modernisation of agriculture in Assam. Also mention the institutional measures which are adopted towards sustainable agriculture. $7+4=11$

Or

- (b) Give a brief account of the trends and pattern of agricultural production in Assam. Explain briefly the land use pattern in the State. $8+3=11$

5. (a) Discuss critically the prospects and problems of industrial development in Assam. 6+5=11

Or

- (b) Discuss the prospects and problems of the following industries in the economy of Assam : 4+4+3=11
- (i) Bamboo and cane
 - (ii) Food processing
 - (iii) Handloom

6. (a) Enumerate the causes of increasing importance of the tertiary sector in Assam. 11

Or

- (b) Discuss critically the role of North-Eastern Council in the economic development of NE-region with a special reference to Assam. 11

7. (a) Give a brief account of the problem of immigration in Assam. Discuss its impact on the economy of Assam. 4+7=11

Or

- (b) (i) Discuss some salient features of unemployment problem in Assam.
- (ii) Discuss any four problems of agricultural labourers in Assam. 7+4=11
