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FIFTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2013

(UG – CCSS)

Economics—Core Course

EC 5B 10—KERALA ECONOMY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Answers may be written **either in English or in Malayalam.**

Part A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries $\frac{1}{4}$ weightage.

A. Multiple Choice Questions :

1 Which of the following sub-sectors is growing fast in Kerala ?

- (a) Trade, Hotels and Restaurant.
- (b) Banking and Insurance.
- (c) Transport, Storage and Communication.
- (d) Real estate ownership, business.

2 The PQLI is measured on a scale which varies between :

- (a) 0 to 10.
- (b) 1 to 100.
- (c) 0 to 100.
- (d) 1 to 10.

3 Which among the following districts is not cultivating “pokkali” rice in Kerala ?

- (a) Alappuzha.
- (b) Thrissur.
- (c) Ernakulam.
- (d) Kottayam.

4 Kerala State Planning Board was first constituted in the State in :

- (a) September 1966.
- (b) September 1968.
- (c) September 1967.
- (d) September 1969.

B. Fill in the blanks :

5 The document : “Economic Review” has been published by _____.

6 The Human Development Index was first reported in the year _____.

7 The new poverty estimate for 2011-12 according to the Planning Commission is that individual earning less than Rs. _____ in the urban and Rs. _____ in the rural areas in India belongs to BPL.

Turn over

- 8 The nodal agency for collection, compilation, analysis of statistics relating to various sectors of Kerala Economy is _____.

C. Answer in a word/sentence :

- 9 Emerging Kerala 2012. 10 Ageing.
11 "Growth without Development". 12 Gender discrimination.

(12 × ¼ = 3 weightage)

Part B (Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 weightage.

- 13 What is the role of State Planning Board ?
14 Distinguish between Absolute and Relative poverty.
15 Distinguish between Migration and Emigration.
16 What do you mean by e-governance ?
17 Write a note on the structural transition in the State.
18 How do you account for the declining trend in the area under paddy cultivation in Kerala ?
19 What do you mean by micro credit ?
20 Write a note on Human Development Index.
21 What is "White Revolution" ?

(9 × 1 = 9 weightage)

Part C (Short Essay/Paragraph Type Questions)

Answer any five questions.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 22 What are the reasons for industrial stagnation in Kerala ?
23 Write a note on the state of educated unemployment in Kerala.
24 Discuss the reasons for substitution of land for cultivating rubber in Kerala.
25 Why is ageing a problem in the society ? Discuss.
26 Write a note on the present state of coconut cultivation in the State.
27 Describe the impact of migration on the Kerala economy.
28 What are the emerging issues on public health in the State ?

(5 × 2 = 10 weightage)

Part D (Essay Questions)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 4 weightage.

- 29 Critically examine the development experience of Kerala over the past decades.
30 Examine the challenges of higher education faced by the State economy.
31 Examine the relative contribution of various sectors to SDP of Kerala over the years.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)