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**SIXTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2013**

(CCSS)

**Economics**

**EC6 B14—POLITICAL ECONOMY OF DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

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

**Part A**

*Answer all twelve questions.  
Each question carries ¼ weightage.*

**A. Multiple Choice Questions :**

1 Economic development means :

- (a) Growth. (b) Development.  
(c) Growth plus change. (d) None of these.

2 Critical minimum effort thesis is developed by :

- (a) A.O. Hirschman. (b) H. Leibenstein.  
(c) Karl Marx. (d) Richard Nelson.

3 Which of the following is correctly matched ?

- (a) Rosenstein Rodan — Balanced Growth Theory.  
(b) Hirschman — Big Push Theory.  
(c) Ragnar Nurse — Vicious Circle of Poverty.  
(d) W.W. Rostow — Dual Economy.

4 The highest body which approves the Five Year Plan is the :

- (a) National Development Council. (b) Reserve Bank of India.  
(c) Prime Ministers Office. (d) The Finance Ministry.

**B. Fill in the blanks :**

5 "Twelfth Five Year Plan" period is \_\_\_\_\_.

6 Lorenz curve measures \_\_\_\_\_.

7 The Physical Quality of Life Index (PQLI) is the average of three statistics : basic literacy rate, infant mortality, and \_\_\_\_\_.

8 Name the state that ranks highest in Human Development Index \_\_\_\_\_.

**Turn over**

C. Answer in a word/sentence :

- 9 Poverty.
- 10 Sustainable development.
- 11 Limits to Growth.
- 12 GDP.

(12 × ¼ = 3 weightage)

**Part B (Short Answer Type Questions)**

*Answer all nine questions.*

- 13 Distinguish between Economic growth and Economic development.
- 14 Vicious Circle of Poverty.
- 15 Physical Quality of Life Index.
- 16 What is balanced growth ?
- 17 Lorenz curve.
- 18 Degradation of environment.
- 19 Gandhian Plan.
- 20 Globalisation.
- 21 Global Warming.

(9 × 1 = 9 Weightage)

**Part C (Short Essay or Paragraph Questions)**

*Answer any five of the following.*

- 22 Explain Big Push Theory.
- 23 Write a note on Human Development Index.
- 24 What do you understand by economic planning in India ? What are its main objectives ?
- 25 Explain Gender Empowerment Measure (GEM).
- 26 Briefly describe the theory of Low Level Equilibrium Trap contributed by Nelson.
- 27 What do you mean by non-renewable resources ? Elaborate.
- 28 Explain Kuznet's inverted curve 'U'.

(5 × 2 = 10 weightage)

**Part D (Essay Questions)**

*Answer any two questions.*

- 29 Critically examine Leibenstein's critical minimum effort theory.
- 30 Critically evaluate the achievements and failures Indian economic planning.
- 31 Explain Cost-Benefit Analysis.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)