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Core Course—Economics

EC 6B 13-INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS

(2009-2012 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Answers may be written either in English or in Malayalam.

Section A (Objective Type Questions)

Answer all twelve questions.

A. Choose the correct answer :

- 1. The benefits from international trade include :
 - (a) Increased world output of goods and services.
 - (b) Greater efficiency in the use of the world's limited resources.
 - (c) Higher national standards of living throughout the world.
 - (d) All of the above.

2. Comparative advantages in production is achieved by :

- (a) Subsidizing, specializing and lowering the price of an exported good.
- (b) Being able to produce a good with fewer inputs than in other countries.
- (c) Having terms of trade that are better than the terms of trade faced in other countries.
- (d) Having a lower opportunity cost of producing a good relative to that of other countries.
- 3. When one country can produce a given amount of a good using fewer inputs than any other country :
 - (a) It has an absolute advantages in producing the good.
 - (b) It has a comparative advantages in producing the good.
 - (c) Specialization will definitely increase worldwide consumption possibilities.
 - (d) All of the above.
- 4. Arguments against free trade include :
 - (a) Concerns about national security. (b) Concerns about dumping.
 - (c) Protection of infant industries. (d)

(d) All of the above.

B. Fill in the blanks :

- 5. LERMS stands for -
- 6. WTO was established in the year
- 7. IBRD is popularly known as -----
- 8. _____ is a tax levied when goods and services cross the boundary of the country.

C. Answer in a word/sentence :

- 9. Tariff.
- 11. Exchange rate.

10. Dumping.

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12. Devaluation.

$(12 \times \frac{1}{4} = 3 \text{ weightage})$

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Section B (Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer all nine questions. Each question carries 1 weightage.

- 13. Define foreign trade.
- 14. Explain Revaluation.
- 15. Explain labour theory of value.
- 16. What do you mean by countervailing duties ?
- 17. What are the assumptions of Heckscher-Ohlin theory ?
- 18. Expand briefly NAFTA.
- 19. Explain floating exchange rate.
- 20. What do you mean by Exchange rate management ?
- 21. Define forward exchange rate.

Section C (Short Answer Type Questions)

 $(9 \times 1 = 9 \text{ weightage})$

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 22. Explain the methods of trade restrictions.
- 23. Explain Mint Parity Theory.
- 24. Explain fixed exchange rate.
- 25. What are the important functions of WTO ?
- 26. What do you mean by Non-tariff barriers?
- 27. Explain Leontief Paradox.
- 28. Distinguish between Tariff and Quota.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ weightage})$

Section D (Essay Questions)

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Answer any two of the following. Each question carries 4 weightage.

- 29. Explain Balance of Payments and measures to correct disequilibrium in Balance of Payments.
- 30. Explain Heckseher-Ohlin Theory of Trade.
- 31. Describe arguments for and against protection.

 $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ weightage})$

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