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Applied Economics

Paper IV—DEVELOPMENT ISSUES OF INDIAN ECONOMY

(With Special Reference to Kerala)

(2012 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

Part A

Answer all questions.

*Each bunch of **four** questions carries weightage 1.*

A. Multiple Choice :

1 Which one of the following is not a component of India's policy towards self reliance ?

- (a) Diversification of domestic production.
- (b) Reduction in the dependence of aid.
- (c) Accumulation of gold reserves.
- (d) Promotion of exports.

2 Which among the following is not a cause of sickness of industrial units in India ?

- (a) Obsolete technology.
- (b) Labour problems.
- (c) Faulty location.
- (d) Lack of capital account convertibility.

3 The First Five Year Plan of the Government of India was based on :

- (a) Leontief input-output model.
- (b) Harrod - Domar model.
- (c) Mahalanobis two-sector model.
- (d) None of the above.

4 The NABARD was established in the year :

- (a) 1982.
- (b) 1985.
- (c) 1998.
- (d) 1990.

B. Multiple Choice :

5 Sustainable development relates to :

- (a) Control of population to suit natural resources.
- (b) Development for sufficiency and efficiency which is bio-friendly.
- (c) Development which is within the central and state budgetary resources.
- (d) Development which takes into account the taxable capacity of people.

Turn over

6 The state with the highest female literacy rate in India as per the Census Report of 2011 is :

- (a) Maharashtra. (b) Gujarat.
(c) Tamil Nadu. (d) Kerala.

7 The Reserve Bank of India was set up in :

- (a) 1951. (b) 1947.
(c) 1939. (d) 1935.

8 "Operation Flood" programme concentrates on :

- (a) Increasing irrigation facilities.
(b) Flood control.
(c) Increasing milk production.
(d) Flooding the market with food grains.

C. Fill in the blanks :

9 "Reach out to the family through women, reach out to the community through family" is the motto of _____

10 The process of transferring the ownership of equity shares from the public sector to the private sector is called _____

11 The MRTP Act was formally repealed in the year _____

12 A systematic record of all transactions between one country and the rest of the world in a given period of time is called _____

D. State True or False :

13 TPDS was launched to ensure availability of minimum quantity of foodgrains to the families living below the poverty line.

14 Gold jewellery exports is an item of India's invisible earnings from international trade.

15 The SEZs provide an internationally competitive and hassle-free environment for India's exports.

16 Disguised unemployment can be useful in India's developmental process as a source of potential saving.

(16 x $\frac{1}{4}$ = 4 weightage)

Part B (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any ten not exceeding one page each.

17 What are the main causes of population explosion in India ? Explain the steps to control it.

18 What efforts are being made to modernize Indian farming ?

- 19 Discuss the importance of small scale and cottage industries in the economy of India.
- 20 Analyse the role of MNCs in the Indian context.
- 21 What are the main causes of urban poverty in India ?
- 22 Write a short note on World Trade Organisation.
- 23 What is disinvestment ? What are its objectives ?
- 24 Explain Gender Development Index.
- 25 Explain demographic transition in Kerala.
- 26 Briefly explain the role of Self Help Groups in Kerala.
- 27 Describe the impact of Gulf migration on Kerala economy.
- 28 Why is the level of agricultural productivity low in Kerala ?

(10 x 2 = 20 weightage)

Part C (Essay Questions)

*Answer any **three** not exceeding **three pages** each.*

- 29 Critically examine the main features of the New Industrial Policy Resolution of 1991.
- 30 Review the financial sector reforms in India since 1991.
- 31 Examine India's export policy in the period after 1991.
- 32 Critically evaluate the Kerala Model of Development.
- 33 What are the causes for fiscal crisis and energy crisis in Kerala ?

(3 x 4 = 12 weightage)