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SIXTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH/APRIL 2015

(U.G.-CCSS)

Core Course—Economics

EC 6B 14—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 questions.

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

A. Multiple choice questions :

1 HDI was developed by :

- (a) World Bank. (b) IMF.
(c) UNDP. (d) WTO.

2 The concept of vicious circle of poverty is associated with :

- (a) Ragnar Nurkse. (b) R.R.Nelson.
(c) Joan Robinson. (d) J.H.Boeke.

3 Who among the following is a strong exponent of unbalanced growth strategy ?

- (a) A.O. Hirschman. (b) P.N.R.Rodan
(c) R. Nurkse. (d) R.R.Nelson.

4 Indian Planning is :

- (a) Social Planning. (b) Democratic planning.
(c) Decentralized. (d) Both b and c.

B. Fill in the blanks :

5 The inverted U hypothesis was developed by _____

6 The Chairman of the Indian Planning Commission is _____

7 The UNDP developed a measure of poverty known as _____

8 Indivisibilities form part of the theory of _____

C. Answer in a word or sentence :

9 Unbalanced growth.

10 Vicious circle of poverty.

11 Global warming.

12 People's Plan.

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

Turn over

Part B

*Very short Answers. Answer all questions.
Each question carries 1 weightage.*

13. Explain the concept of gender inequality.
14. What is economic planning ?
15. What is meant by sustainable development ?
16. Define Gross Domestic Product.
17. What is the meaning of the concept of missing women ?
18. Mention the component indices of HDI. _____
19. Distinguish between economic growth and development.
20. How will you define poverty ?
21. What is the meant by inverted U hypothesis ?

(9 x 1 = 9 weightage)

Part C (Short Essays)

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

22. Write a note on limits to growth hypothesis. _____
23. Explain the content of low level equilibrium trap theory.
24. What are the major objectives of Indian Planning ?
25. Argue the case for a balanced growth strategy.
26. Give an account of the capability approach of Amartya Sen.
27. What is the significance of cost benefit analysis in a developing country ?
28. List out the different measures of inequality.

(5 x 2 = 10 weightage)

Part D (Long Essay)

*Answer any two questions.
Answer should not exceed 3 pages*

29. Explain and evaluate the theory of big push.
30. Give an account of the different measures of development pointing out the superiority of **ea⁻¹ measure**.
31. Explain the linkages between environment and development. Suggest some measures by which development can be made more sustainable.

(4 x 2 = 8 weightag