

**SIXTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH/APRIL 2016**

(UG-CCSS)

**Core Course—Economics**

**EC 6B 14—POLITICAL ECONOMY OF DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING**

**(2009-2012 Admissions)**

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** PQLI was developed by

- (a) World Bank. (b) Morris D Morris.  
(c) UNDP. (d) Amartya Sen.

**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** Indivisibilities form part of the theory of \_\_\_\_\_

**6** The Chairman of the Indian Planning Commission is \_\_\_\_\_

**7** The UNDP developed a measure of poverty known as \_\_\_\_\_

**8** The 12th Five Year Plan period is \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Answer in a word or sentence :**

**9** Gandhian Plan.

**10** Balanced growth.

**11** Global warming.

**12** Sustainable development.

(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 vicious circle of poverty.
- 14 What is economic planning ?
- 15 What is meant by inclusive growth ?
- 16 Define Gender Empowerment Measure.
- 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 line ?
- 21 What is the meaning of the term gender inequality ?

(9 x 1 = 9 weightage)

## Part C (Short Essays)

*Answer any five questions.*

*Each question carries 2 weightage.*

- 22 Write a note on inverted 'U' hypothesis.
- 23 Explain the low level equilibrium trap theory of Nelson.
- 24 Examine the significance of limits to growth.
- 25 State and evaluate the unbalanced 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 forms of inequality.

(5 x 2 = 10 weightage)

## Part D (Long Essay)

*Answer any two questions.*

*Each question carries 4 weightage.*

*Answer should not exceed three pages.*

- 29 State and explain the theory of critical minimum effort.
- 30 Give an account of the different measures of development pointing out the superiority of each measure.
- 31 Explain the linkages between environment and development. Suggest some measures by which development can be made more sustainable.

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)