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**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**  
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**CC12-ECONOMICS (512)**

**DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any **four** questions: 3×4 = 12
- (a) What do you mean by economic growth? 3
- (b) Mention any three causes of existence of income inequality in India. 3
- (c) What are the components of Human Development Index (HDI)? 3
- (d) What do you mean by 'Poverty Line'? 3
- (e) What is Gini co-efficient? 3
- (f) Which type of resources are considered as renewable resources? Give example. 2+1

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any four questions** 6×4 = 24

2. Distinguish between economic growth and development. What is PQLI? 5+1
3. What are the causes of poverty in India? 6
4. Briefly discuss some of the important criticisms against Unbalanced growth doctrine of development. 6
5. 'Disguised unemployment is a source of hidden saving potential' — Explain. 6
6. Do you think that climate change has some connections with growing economic activities? — Justify your answer. 6
7. Briefly explain Lewis model of Economic development. 6

**GROUP-C**

**Answer any *two* questions**

12×2 = 24

8. Critically explain Nelson's theory of low level equilibrium trap with suitable diagram. 12
9. Give an account of the initiatives adopted by the Govt. of India to reduce poverty in recent times. 12
- 10.(a) What do you mean by sustainable development? 4+8  
(b) Briefly state about some ways that can be adopted to achieve sustainable development.
11. Critically examine Balanced Growth doctrine of development. 12

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