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**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**  
B.A./B.Sc. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2022

**DSE-P2-ECONOMICS**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**Choose any one from DSE-701 to DSE-704**

**Candidates should mention it clearly on the Answer Book. (Excluding which has been chosen from DSE1)**

**DSE-701**

**ECONOMICS OF HEALTH AND EDUCATION**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any **four** questions:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) Define literacy rate and drop-out rate.
  - (b) What do you mean by Right to Education?
  - (c) Explain the terms — education financing and health care financing.
  - (d) What is child labour?
  - (e) Mention three important limitations of Gender Empowerment Measure (GEM).
  - (f) Name three important problems related to health care system in India.

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any four questions**

$6 \times 4 = 24$

- 2. Compare and contrast private and public health care sectors in India.
- 3. What are the factors determining the demand for education?
- 4. Briefly discuss the role of public and private educational institutions in providing school education in India.
- 5. What do you understand by gender equity? How can it be achieved?
- 6. How does gender inequality in education affect the economic development of a nation?
- 7. Write a note on basic health indices and their outcomes in India.

**GROUP-C**

**Answer any two questions**

$12 \times 2 = 24$

- 8. Outline the importance of health and education on the basis of the human capital approach.

9. Why is government intervention necessary in provision of health care?
10. Discuss the issues of cultural, social and economic hierarchies in the context of gender.
11. What is the relationship between poverty and health inequality in the international perspective?

**DSE-702**

**ECONOMIC HISTORY OF INDIA (1857-1947)**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any ***four*** questions:  $3 \times 4 = 12$ 
  - (a) What do you mean by de-industrialisation of Indian industries?
  - (b) What are the forms of economic drain from India?
  - (c) What is meant by Managing Agency System?
  - (d) What do you mean by ‘imperial preference’?
  - (e) What was basic pattern of colonial trade?
  - (f) What is old Guarantee System?

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any *four* questions**

$6 \times 4 = 24$

2. What were the causes of repeated occurrence of famines in India during colonial period? 6
3. How did commercialization of agriculture took place in India during colonial rule?
4. What were the main causes of decline of Indian handicrafts?
5. What is economic drain? Explain the process of economic drain in the British period.
6. Discuss the role of trade policy that led exploitation of Indian economy during the British rule.
7. Write an overview of colonial India.

**GROUP-C**

**Answer any *two* questions**

$12 \times 2 = 24$

8. Compare and contrast between permanent settlement and Ryotwari settlement. Do you think it led to agricultural stagnation in the 19th century?
9. Critically discuss de-industrialisation debate in the context of Indian economy during colonial period. 12
10. Critically discuss evolution of entrepreneurial and industrial structure during British rule in India.
11. What were the main causes behind the construction of Railways in India?

**DSE-703**

**INDIAN POLITICAL ECONOMY**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any *four* questions:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) What is disguised unemployment?
  - (b) Distinguish between work force and labour force.
  - (c) What is structural adjustment programme?
  - (d) What is the difference between Repo rate and Reverse Repo rate of R.B.I.?
  - (e) Explain the term ‘Corporate Finance’.
  - (f) What are the determinants of capital accumulation in general?

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any *four* questions**

$6 \times 4 = 24$

- 2. Write a short note on the impacts of climate change on Indian Economy.
- 3. Discuss the problems of migrant workers in India.
- 4. Write a critical note on MGNREGA.
- 5. How can you explain economic inequality in India?
- 6. Globalization declines the welfare of the poor nation — Do you agree? Give reasons.
- 7. Do you believe that capitalist mode of production affect developing nations? — Justify your comment.

**GROUP-C**

**Answer any *two* questions**

$12 \times 2 = 24$

- 8. Is India’s recent economic growth inclusive?
- 9. Globalization increases inequality of income and also exclusion — Do you support the above statement? Justify your answer.
- 10. What do you mean by the term ‘Gender inequality’? Do you think Gender inequality prevents economic development?
- 11. Write the possible reasons for the recent Financial Crisis of Sri Lanka.

**DSE-704**

**TOPICS IN PUBLIC ECONOMICS**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any *four* questions:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) Distinguish between pure and impure public goods.
  - (b) What do you understand by free rider problem?

- (c) Explain Goods and Services Tax (GST).
- (d) What do you understand by positive externality?
- (e) Mention three important taxes levied by the municipal corporations.
- (f) What do you mean by common property resource?

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any *four* questions**

$6 \times 4 = 24$

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| 2. | Explain Musgrave's views on the principle of Maximum Social Advantage.           | 6 |
| 3. | Explain the important functions of Gram Panchayats.                              | 6 |
| 4. | What do you understand by dead weight loss of taxation? Explain briefly.         | 6 |
| 5. | Explain efficiency and equity consideration of tax system.                       | 6 |
| 6. | Explain briefly the tax reforms introduced in India.                             | 6 |
| 7. | Do you think that internally held public debt is a burden for future generation? | 6 |

**GROUP-C**

**Answer any *two* questions**

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| 8.  | What do you mean by externalities? What is meant by the expression 'to internalise externalities'? |       |
| 9.  | Critically explain Coase theorem.  |       |
| 10. | Explain fiscal federalism in India.  | 12    |
| 11. | What is a budget? What are the types of budgets? How can budget deficits be corrected?             | 2+2+8 |

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