

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours Part-II Examination, 2022

# **ECONOMICS**

# PAPER-III

Time Allotted: 4 Hours

Full Marks: 100

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. All symbols are of usual significance.

### **GROUP-A**

### MICROECONOMICS

#### **SECTION-I**

### [Objective type questions (Compulsory)]

- 1. Answer *all* questions:
  - (a) What do you mean by Pareto Optimality?
  - (b) Show that a discriminating monopolist charges lower prices in market where  $E_p$  is higher.
  - (c) What do you mean by product differentiation?
  - (d) What is meant by collective bargaining?
  - (e) What is quasi-rent?

## **SECTION-II**

|             | Answer any two questions  | $10 \times 2 = 20$ |  |
|-------------|---|--------------------|--|
| 2.          | Distinguish between static stability and dynamic stability. Derive Walrasian and Marshallian conditions for static stability of a market equilibrium. | 3+7 = 10           |  |
| 3.          | Show that profit under monopolistic discrimination will generally be larger than that under single-price monopoly.                                    | 10                 |  |
| 4.          | Discuss the Cournot model of Duopoly with the help of reaction curve approach.  | 10                 |  |
| 5.          | Discuss the view that economic rent of a factor income depends on the elasticity of supply of that factor.  | 10                 |  |
| SECTION-III |   |                    |  |

# Answer any one question20

- 6. (a) Discuss the short-run and long-run equilibrium of industry under perfect 10+10=20 competition.
  - (b) What are the effects of imposition of a unit sales tax in a perfectly competitive market?

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7. (a) What do you mean by Collusive Oligopoly? 10+10 = 20

(b) Explain the conditions of equilibrium of the typical leadership model.

#### **GROUP-B**

#### MACROECONOMICS

#### **SECTION-I**

#### [Objective type questions (Compulsory)]

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

# 8. Answer *all* questions:

- (a) What is warranted rate of growth?
- (b) What is natural rate of unemployment?
- (c) What is Permanent Income Hypothesis?
- (d) What is Ratchet effect?
- (e) Explain the concept of inflationary gap.

#### **SECTION-II**

|             | Answer any two questions   | $10 \times 2 = 20$ |  |
|-------------|--|--------------------|--|
| 9.          | What is Phillips Curve? Account for the observed trade off between the rate of inflation and the rate of unemployment. | 10                 |  |
| 10.         | Explain the Life Cycle Hypothesis of consumption behaviour.  | 10                 |  |
| 11.         | How does the investment decision take place with the help of MEC and MEI schedules?                                    | 10                 |  |
| 12.         | State and prove Harrod's Knife Edge Instability theorem.   | 10                 |  |
| SECTION-III |  |                    |  |
|             | Answer any <i>one</i> question   | 20                 |  |
| 13.(a)      | What are the main assumptions of the Solow model of growth?  | 5+10+5 =20         |  |
| (b)         | Discuss the role of population growth and technical progress in the model.   |                    |  |
| (c)         | Does population growth alter the criterion for determining the golden rule level of output?                            |                    |  |
| 14.(a)      | Distinguish between demand pull and cost push inflation.   | 4+10+6 = 20        |  |
| (1)         |  |                    |  |
| (b)         | Give a detailed amount of mark-up inflation.   |                    |  |

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