UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours Part-III Examination, 2022

ECONOMICS

PAPER-VI

Time Allotted: 4 Hours   Full Marks: 100

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

GROUP-A

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

SECTION-I

1.   Answer the following questions: 2×5 = 10

   (a) Distinguish between 'balance of payment' and 'balance of trade'.

   (b) What is Leontief paradox in international trade?

   (c) What is an offer curve?

   (d) State two advantages of 'free trade'.

   (e) What is foreign trade multiplier?

SECTION-II

Answer any *two* questions   10×2 = 20

2.   Discuss the main features of SDRS.

3. (a) "Balance of payments is always in balance"— Explain the statement.   5+5 = 10

   (b) Define equilibrium and disequilibrium in the balance of payments.

4.   Derive the Marshall-Lerner condition for successful devaluation of a country. Is it a sufficient condition?

5.   What do you mean by optimum tariff? How would you measure optimum tariff?

SECTION-III

Answer any *one* question   20×1 = 20

6. (a) State the assumptions of the Heckscher-Ohlin theory of international trade.   5+6+9

   (b) Explain briefly the physical and price definition of Relative Factor Abundance.

   (c) Using physical definition, explain the H-O theorem.

7. Explain the case for trade protection. Discuss various tariff and non-tariff barriers to international trade.

GROUP-B
PUBLIC FINANCE

SECTION-I

8. Answer the following questions: 2×5 = 10

  (a) Distinguish between 'impact' and 'incidence of taxation'.

  (b) What is public debt?

  (c) What is the difference between unit tax and ad valorem tax?

  (d) State two differences between public goods and private goods.

  (e) What do you mean by 'economic classification' of budget?

SECTION-II

Answer any *two* questions 10×2 = 20

9. Discuss the characteristics of a good tax structure.

10. Discuss the reasons for the growth of public expenditure in India.

11. Discuss the principle of 'Maximum Social Advantage'.

12. Show that internally held public debt does not impose any burden to the society.

SECTION-III

Answer any *one* question 20×1 = 20

13. Discuss critically the 'benefit approach' towards determination of the tax structure of an individual. Do you think that it is always regressive in nature? 20

14. Write an essay on major trends in tax revenue of the Central and State Government in India. 20

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