

**SIXTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH/APRIL 2015**

(U.G.-CCSS)

Core Course—Economics

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

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

*Answers may be written either in English or in Malayalam.***Part A***Answer all questions.**Each question carries ¼ weightage.***A. Multiple choice questions :**

1 HDI was developed by :

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| (a) World Bank. | (b) IMF. |
| (c) UNDP.       | (d) WTO. |

2 The concept of vicious circle of poverty is associated with :

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| (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 ?

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| (a) A.O. Hirschman. | (b) P.N.R.Rodan |
| (c) R. Nurkse.      | (d) R.R.Nelson. |

4 Indian Planning is :

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| (a) Social Planning. | (b) Democratic planning. |
| (c) Decentralized.   | (d) Both b and c.        |

**B. Fill in the blanks :**

- 5 The inverted U hypothesis was developed by \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 The Chairman of the Indian Planning Commission is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 The UNDP developed a measure of poverty known as \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 Indivisibilities form part of the theory of \_\_\_\_\_.

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

- 9 Unbalanced growth.
- 10 Vicious circle of poverty.
- 11 Global warming.
- 12 People's Plan.

(12 × ¼ = 3 weightage)

Turn over

**Part B**

*Very short Answers. Answer all questions.  
Each question carries 1 weightage.*

13. Explain the concept of gender inequality.
14. What is economic planning ?
15. What is meant by sustainable development ?
16. Define Gross Domestic Product.
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 ?
21. What is the meant by inverted U hypothesis ?

(9 × 1 = 9 weigh

**Part C (Short Essays)**

*Answer any five questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.*

22. Write a note on limits to growth hypothesis.
23. Explain the content of low level equilibrium trap theory.
24. What are the major objectives of Indian Planning ?
25. Argue the case for a balanced 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 measures of inequality.

(5 × 2 = 10 wei

**Part D (Long Essay)**

*Answer any two questions.  
Answer should not exceed 3 pages*

29. Explain and evaluate the theory of big push.
30. Give an account of the different measures of development pointing out the superiority measure.
31. Explain the linkages between environment and development. Suggest some measures development can be made more sustainable.

(4 × 2 = 8 w