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ECONOMICS — HONOURS**Paper : DSCC-4****(Development Economics)****Full Marks : 75***The figures in the margin indicate full marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Group - A****1. Answer *any ten* questions :****2×10**

- ✓(a) Mention any two indicators of economic development.
- ✓(b) State any two challenges of developing economics.
- ✓(c) How is income approach different from capability approach?
- (d) Define Purchasing Power Parity (PPP).
- ✓(e) Define poverty line.
- ✓(f) Mention any two causes of poverty in developing economies.
- (g) How can disguised unemployment be measured?
- (h) State the Kuznets' Inverted U hypothesis.
- ✓(i) Distinguish between backward and forward linkage.
- ✓(j) Is MPI better than HDI? Justify.
- ✓(k) How is Gender Inequality Index a measure of economic development?
- ✓(l) What is Sen's Poverty Index?
- ✓(m) Mention any two roles of financial institutions in promoting economic development.
- ✓(n) What is microfinance?
- (o) State any two functions of World Bank.

Group - B**2. Answer *any five* questions :**

- ✓(a) "Economic growth is necessary but not sufficient for economic development".— Explain. 5
- (b) How has economic development been explained in terms of entitlement and capabilities? 5
- ✓(c) Describe poverty as 'Capability failure'. 5

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- (d) Discuss the process of measuring income inequality with the help of Lorenz Curve and Gini Coefficient. 5
- (e) Discuss, briefly, the formal and informal sources of rural credit. $2\frac{1}{2}+2\frac{1}{2}$
- (f) Define financial inclusion. Mention its role in empowering rural women. 2+3
- (g) What are the main objectives and functions of World Trade Organization? $2\frac{1}{2}+2\frac{1}{2}$
- (h) Write short notes on (*any one*) ; 5×1
- (i) Multi Dimensional Poverty Index
- (ii) Sustainable Development.

Group - C

Answer *any three* questions.

3. Briefly explain the evolution of Development Theories. 10
4. Critically examine the Unbalanced Growth theory. 10
5. (a) What should be choice of technique in a capital-scarce developing nation?
(b) Explain using examples when will a capital scarce developing nation choose capital intensive technology instead of labour intensive technology. 3+7
6. Critically discuss the role of microfinance in alleviating poverty. 10
7. Explain the objectives and functions of IMF. 4+6