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ECONOMICS — HONOURS

Paper : DSE-B-2.2

(Issues in Development Economics)

Full Marks : 65

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 :

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- (a) What is Development?
- (b) What is birth rate?
- (c) What is Crude death rate?
- (d) What is the present population growth of India?
- (e) What do you understand by human capital accumulation?
- (f) What is credit contract?
- (g) What are common-pool resources?
- (h) Give any two examples of environmental externalities.
- (i) Distinguish between renewable and non-renewable resources.
- (j) What is the full form of MFA?
- (k) Mention any two junctions of IMF.
- (l) What is W.T.O?
- (m) Mention the full form of G.A.T.T.
- (n) What is a population pyramid?
- (o) What is coordination failure?

Group - B

Answer *any three* questions.

5×3

2. Explain the notion of the hidden momentum of population growth.
3. Do you think that with the rise in income the demand for children also rise? Give reasons.

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4. 'A risk-averse tenant will prefer the sharecropping contract over the fixed-rent contract' — Explain.
5. Discuss with the help of a simple cost benefit model, the issue of externalities and the effect of a tax in reducing environmental degradation.
6. Discuss briefly the effects of globalization in the Indian context.

Group - C

Answer *any three* questions.

7. Define micro-inertia and macro-inertia. Discuss with a simple model the cost and benefits of having children taking into account social and private costs. What happens to fertility decisions in a joint family structure? 2+4+4
8. Discuss in detail the model of lender's risk hypothesis. 10
9. Does globalization make the world more unequal? Justify your answer. 10
10. Explain the modes and operations of governance in (a) a state-led centrally planned economy and (b) market oriented economy. 5+5
11. Write short notes on (*any two*) : 5×2
 - (a) Characteristics of the credit market
 - (b) Concept of exit and voice option in the context of deterioration in firm's performance.
 - (c) Sustainable development and environmental accounting
 - (d) Evolution of GATT and WTO.