

2016

M.A/M.Sc.

3rd Semester Examination

ECONOMICS

PAPER—ECO-304A

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Special Paper : Agricultural Economics IV

Group—A

1. Answer any two questions out of the following : 2×2

(a) What is the nature of acceleration or deceleration in India's agriculture in the post independence period ?

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(b) Why is log-linear trend more appropriate than linear trend in Indian agriculture production ?

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(Turn Over)

- (c) What do you mean by food security? 2
- (d) What is efficiency in agricultural production? 2

2. Answer any one question out of the following : 1×6

- (a) How is average length of cycles in a macro series measured? What is the estimated average length of cycle for India's GDP coming from agriculture in the period 1950-51 to 2012-13. Interpret the value of the estimate.
- (b) Discuss very briefly the debate on the relationship between farm size and productivity in Indian agriculture?

3. Answer any one question of the following : 1×10

- (a) What do you mean by break in the growth path of a macroeconomic series? Why does it occur? How is a break without discontinuity estimated? Give an estimates of the break points in the part of India's GDP coming from agriculture in the period from 1950-51 to 2012-13. Also give the estimated growth rates in different regimes. 2+2+3+3

- (b) Discuss in the context of growth with equity in Indian agriculture, the role of
- (i) food grain management and
 - (ii) inclusive growth. 5+5

Group—B

4. Answer any *two* questions : 2×2
- (a) What is the debate between Thamarajaskshi and Tayagi regarding the movement of TOT in India ?
 - (b) Briefly explain two major impacts of WHO on Indian Agriculture.
 - (c) What is the significance of multisectoral ToT ?
 - (d) Specify three aspects of employment.
5. Answer any *one* question of the following : 1×6
- (a) Explain the important feature of the trends of multi-sectoral TOT in India.
 - (b) What are the major policy recommendations for Indian's agriculture development since 1991 ?

6. Answer any one question :

1×10

- (a) What are the features of emerging trend of rural employment in India ? Explain the factors account for recent trends of rural employment.
- (b) Discuss in details the role of FDI on Agricultural retailing in India.

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