

2007

ECONOMICS WITH RURAL DEVELOPMENT

PAPER-XII

Full Marks: 75

Time : 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours

Answer any **five** questions

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

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

Illustrate the answers whenever necessary

1. **What** factors determine **rural industrialisation in India?**
What policy **recommendations** do you offer to accelerate **rural industrialisation ?** **10+5**
2. Critically **examine the** impact of economic reforms on rural employment in India. 15
3. Explain the nature and causes of the commercialisation of agriculture in India during the British regime. What were its implications for different sections of India's farming community? 10+5

(Turn Over)

4. **What is meant by self-employment ? Discuss the programmes that have been adopted in rural India to promote self-employment and achieve poverty alleviation. What are their limitations ?** 2+10+3
5. Critically examine the trends of poverty and inequality in rural India during the past 30 years. 15
6. (a) **Distinguish** between food security and nutrition security. 5+10
- (b) Critically **examine the** issues and policy **options for the provision** of food security **in India.** 5+10
7. (a) Explore **the issues** of growth of institutional **agricultural credit** in India, its distribution in different regions and accessibility of rural poor to credit and economic viability of the operations of agricultural credit **disbursement** in terms of recovery performance and **margins.** 8+7
- (b) Examine the role of institutional credit **in agricultural** growth of India **during post-Independence** period. 8+7
8. **Examine** critically the degree of indebtedness of farmer **households** and factors **causing indebtedness and suicides among** the farmers in India. 5+10
9. Briefly review the programmes of work employment adopted in India since the 1960s. 15

- 10. Discuss the backdrop against which National Rural Employment Guarantee (NREG) Act was passed in India in 2005. Discuss the features of NREG Scheme. What are its limitations?**

6+6+3