

2013

M.A. / M.Sc.

1st Semester Examination

PAPER—ECO-102

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.

Group—A

1. Answer any *two* questions of the following : 2×2
- (a) What is SLR? What would be the effect of its reduction in an economy?
 - (b) What do you mean by residual factor in growth?
 - (c) Explain the concept of 'Top-down' approach of any economic programme. What are its limitations?

(Turn Over)

(d) What are the basic reform measures taken up in the financial sector of the Indian economy?

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

(a) Present a critical analysis of the major programmes taken up in the social sector infrastructure in the Indian economy. 6

(b) What do you mean by economic infrastructure? What problems are faced by the Power and Transport sectors? Suggest measures to overcome these problems. 2+2+2

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

(a) Make a critical analysis of the growth process of the industrial sector of the Indian economy in recent period. Critically compare the industrial policies taken up so far in the Indian economy. 5+5

(b) Present a picture of the growth rates of exports and imports of the Indian economy in recent period. Make a critical analysis of the trends and challenges of India's BOP. 6+4

Group—B

4. Answer any *two* questions of the following : 2×2

- (a) Give some reasons behind the high value of inflation in India in the recent years.
- (b) Explain briefly why India has failed to generate sufficient employment opportunities despite high rate of economic growth in the last two decades.
- (c) Distinguish between main worker and marginal worker.
- (d) What do you mean by employment elasticity of output? Interpret its value in India during 2004-05 to 2009-10.

5. Answer any *one* question of the following : 1×6

- (a) Give an account of the sectorial imbalance in GDP growth in India in the post reform period and comment on it.
- (b) How are the incidence and severity of poverty measured? Discuss briefly the findings of these measures in rural and urban India during 2004-05 to 2009-10.

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

(a) Explain how excess depletion of ground water and soil degradation are causing threat to production in Indian agriculture. Suggest some policy measures to ensure conservation of natural resources and sustainability of agricultural growth. 10

(b) Analyse the structural change of rural employment in India during recent years. Briefly explain the factors accounted for the recent trends of employment in India. 5+5
