

VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY

M.A./M.Sc. Examinations 2020 Semester IV Subject: ECONOMICS Paper: ECO - 404

(Theory)

Full Marks:40

Time:2HRS

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

Group A

Answer any One of the following questions

- 1. Show how Gini coefficient satisfies the Pigou-Dalton income transfer axiom.
- 2. Distinguish between Gini coefficient and Gini index.
- 3. Write a note on diminishing income transfer axiom.
- 4. Explain the conflict between convenience and justice in the measurement of inequality.
- 5. Write a note on the population replication axiom in inequality measurement.
- 6. Write a critical note on the subgroup decomposability of CV-square as a measure of relative inequality.
- 7. Distinguish between a development and a deprivation index.
- 8. Explain a method of constructing a deprivation index from two indicators of development.
- 9. Write a note on substitutability and complementarity of indicators of development.
- 10. Distinguish between observed, normative and rationalised goalposts in the construction of a development index.
- 11. Distinguish between the rationales of using AM and GM in the construction of Human Development Index (HDI).
- 12. Write a note on logarithmic transformation of per capita income in the construction of a Standard of Living Index.

<u>Group B</u>

Answer any One of the following questions

- 1. Make differences between 'fixed exchange rate' and 'flexible exchange rate' for EURO vis-a-vis INR.
- 2. Differentiate among the sources of public financing- taxation, debt and deficit financing in Indian context.
- 3. Explain 'crowding out' effects in the context of spending by public and private units upon economic activities.
- 4. Discuss the competitive devaluation of home currency vis-a-vis foreign currencies?
- 5. Write a note on Impossible Trinity?
- 6. Suggest what should be the role of government in reviving the Indian economy from the ill effects of COVID-19.
- 7. Discuss the method of accounting national income in the presence of environmental factors as per the United Nation's methodology.
- 8. Comment on environmental sustainability?
- 9. Explain the effectiveness of fiscal and monetary policies in a fixed exchange rate regime under perfect capital flow between the trading countries.
- 10. What is the J-curve effect? Explain the J-curve in diagram.
- 11. Explain when Physical Manmade Capitals are substitutes and complements to Natural Capital?
- 12. Explain the position of LM schedule through pollution permit cost and product costs.