

The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati
Royal School of Humanities and Social Sciences
MA (H) Economics
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Development Economics-Theory and Practice
Subject Code: ECO184C104

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Section-A

Q. 1 Answer the following (Maximum word limit 50):

2x8=16

- a. What is per capita income? How is it measured?
- b. State the poverty line based on calorie intake defined by Planning Commission of India.
- c. What are 'shocks' and 'stimulates' stated by Leibenstein in Critical Minimum Effort Thesis?
- d. The Doctrine of Balanced Growth is based on the concept of external economies. What is meant by the term 'external economies'?
- e. What is Decentralised Planning?
- f. What is meant by Physical Planning?
- g. What is meant by 'terms of trade'?
- h. What are backwash effect and spread effect stated by Gunnar Myrdal?

Section-B

Q. 2 Answer any two from the following:

6x2=12

- a. What are the essential components of human development?
- b. Write a short note on Human Development Index (HDI).
- c. What are the five stages of economic growth stated by Rostow?

Q. 3 Answer any one from the following:

14x1=14

- a. Discuss the Big Push Theory of Economic Growth.

- b. Discuss the Lewis model of economic growth – Unlimited Supply of Labour.
- c. Discuss the Doctrine of Balanced Growth.

Q. 4 Answer any two from the following:

7x2=14

- a. Explain the rationale for planning in a developing country like India.
- b. What are the general steps in making Cost-Benefit Analysis of a project?
- c. Write a short note on Cost-Benefit Analysis of project evaluation.

Q. 5 Answer any two from the following:

7x2=14

- a. "Trade is the Engine of Growth" – explain.
- b. Explain the problems faced by developing countries in international trade.
- c. Explain the Prebisch view on deterioration of average terms of trade.

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