

2013

M.A/M.Sc.

4th Semester Examination

ECONOMICS

PAPER—XIII (ECO-401)

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 five questions : 2×5
- (a) What are the basic criticisms of the critical minimum effort theory? 2
  - (b) Briefly explain the basic limitation of the Ranis-Fei Model. 2
  - (c) What are the process of development of non-farm activities in rural areas? 2
  - (d) What are the basic forms / types of rural industrialization? 2
  - (e) In what way is mechanization of agriculture related to commercialization? 2
  - (f) What are the major functions of local level planning?
  - (g) What do you mean by fiscal decentralization?

(Turn Over)

- (h) Define the concept of 'multi-dimensional poverty'.
- (i) Distinguish between rural non-farm and non-agricultural employment.
- (j) What is 'diversification' in agriculture?

**Group—B**

Answer any two questions : 5×2

2. Distinguish between demand pull and distress-push expansion of RNFE.
3. Put forward the rationale of commercialisation of agriculture in a developing country like India.
4. Write notes on (i) Lorenz-ratio and (ii) Gini-coefficient as measures of inequality. (2½+2½)
5. Give an outline of the Exchange Entitlement framework to explain the occurrence of starvation.

**Group—C**

Answer any two questions : 10×2

6. Present a detailed description of the Theories of Social and Technological dualism relevant for developing economics.
7. Critically explain the Harris-Todaro model of rural-urban migration, giving stress to its implication and relevance.
8. What are the rationalities of rural industrialization? Explain the constraints of rural industrialisation and suggest some policy measures in this connection.
9. Discuss the major issues of rural decentralized planning.