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B.A DEGREE (CBCS) REGULAR EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2023

Fourth Semester

B.A Economics Model I

CORE COURSE - EC4CRT06 - PUBLIC ECONOMICS

For Regular Candidates : 2021 Admission Only For Private Candidates : 2017 Admission Onwards

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Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

Instructions to Private candidates only: This question paper contains two sections. Answer **SECTION I** questions in the answer-book provided. **SECTION II**, Internal examination questions must be answered in the question paper itself. Follow the detailed instructions given under **SECTION II**

Part A

Answer any ten questions.

Each question carries 2 marks.

- 1. What are the major areas covered under public finance?
- 2. Explain the nature and scope of public economics.
- 3. Social goods.
- 4. State the difference between tax and price.
- Regressive tax.
- 6. Cost of service theory of taxation.
- 7. What is non-developmental expenditure?
- 8. Define inspection effect?
- 9. Distinguish between funded and unfunded debt.
- 10. What is the principle of independence and responsibility in relation with federal finance?
- 11. What is Finance Commission?
- 12. Resource transfer.

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$



Part B

Answer any **six** questions. Each question carries **5** marks.

- 13. Why modern state is called a welfare state?
- 14. Explain the ability to pay principle.
- 15. Distinguish between balanced and unbalanced budget.
- 16. Briefly explain deficit financing.
- 17. Explain the canons of public expenditure.
- 18. Explain critical minimum effort thesis.
- 19. Explain the effect of public expenditure on consumption.
- 20. List the difference between Vertical and Horizontal equity in Fiscal Federalism.
- 21. What are the core features of Fiscal Federalism of India?

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$

Part C

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries **15** marks.

- 22. What is market failure? What is the role of the state in a market economy?
- 23. Discuss the effects of taxation.
- 24. Explain the trends and pattern of public debt in India.
- 25. What is the need for the transfer of resources from centre to state and explain the different crierions and formulas for the transfer of resources?

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$