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Third Semester

Economics

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

(For those who joined in July 2012 – 2015)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. The New Economic Policy has greater relevance to the rural sector in the context of
  - (a) farm subsidies
  - (b) trade liberalization
  - (c) bio-technological innovation
  - (d) reduction of inputs

2. Rural Electrification Corporation was established in
  - (a) 1969
  - (b) 1979
  - (c) 1959
  - (d) 1989
3. The main objectives of KVIC is / are
  - (a) rural industrialisation
  - (b) creation of employment opportunities
  - (c) promotion of self reliance
  - (d) all of these
4. Bt cotton is associated with a controversy related to
  - (a) patent
  - (b) discovery
  - (c) copy right
  - (d) none
5. The most common nature of unemployment in rural sector is
  - (a) disguised
  - (b) technological
  - (c) voluntary
  - (d) all of these
6. Total sanitation scheme is implemented through
  - (a) DRDA
  - (b) Universities
  - (c) Banks
  - (d) None

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7. Food for Work Programme was renamed as
- (a) MNP (b) RLEGP
- (c) IRDP (d) NREP
8. Committee recommended to introduce differential interest rate scheme.
- (a) A.K. Sen (b) Tendulkar
- (c) Hazari (d) Dutt
9. \_\_\_\_\_ is the central nodal agency for undertaking price support for pulses and oil seeds.
- (a) NAFED (b) NCDC
- (c) NIAM (d) None of these
10. Major defects of Indian rural marketing is
- (a) lack of transport
- (b) abundance of finance
- (c) more storage facilities
- (d) all of these

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PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Write a short note on rural economy.
- Or
- (b) What are the issues in rural development?
12. (a) Write a note on non-farm sector.
- Or
- (b) What are the different kinds of rural industries?
13. (a) Bring down the nature of rural indebtedness.
- Or
- (b) Explain the role of SHG's in rural development.
14. (a) Write a short note on Employment Assurance Scheme.
- Or
- (b) What are the salient features of Food for Work Programme?

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15. (a) Explain the scope of rural marketing.

Or

- (b) What are the objectives of regulated markets?

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Analyse the scope of reforms in irrigation sector.

Or

- (b) Analyse the role of transport in rural economic development.

17. (a) Analyse the role of KVIC in the development of rural Industrialization.

Or

- (b) Examine the important problems faced by rural industries.

18. (a) Examine the consequences of rural poverty.

Or

- (b) What are the various measures taken by the government to reduce indebtedness in rural?

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19. (a) Discuss the main objectives of poverty alleviation programmes.

Or

- (b) Analyse the functioning of MGNREGA.

20. (a) Examine the main defects of agricultural marketing in India.

Or

- (b) Bring out the various measures taken by the government to remove the defects of rural marketing.
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