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M.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021.

Fourth Semester

Economics – Core

**HEALTH ECONOMICS**

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Health economics is the discipline of economics applied to
  - (a) The topic of health care
  - (b) The topic of life care
  - (c) Hospital management
  - (d) None of the above

2. "Disparities in health care that are systemic and avoidable" this is known as
  - (a) Health inequities
  - (b) Health disparities
  - (c) Health equity
  - (d) Health determinants
3. Allopathic medicine means
  - (a) Modern medicine
  - (b) Traditional health care
  - (c) Homeopathy
  - (d) None of the above
4. National health policy, 2017 would aim at increasing life expectancy to
  - (a) 65 years                      (b) 70 years
  - (c) 80 years                      (d) 82 years
5. Fair distribution of resources with a goal to eliminate health care disparities known as
  - (a) Equity
  - (b) Priority
  - (c) Social justice
  - (d) Efficiency

6. TRIPS which came into force since
- (a) 1993
  - (b) 1994
  - (c) 1995
  - (d) 1998
7. Health care cost is raising so quickly due to
- (a) Mechanization of health care services
  - (b) Expansion in medical knowledge
  - (c) A + B
  - (d) None of the above
8. One of the following in contribution of economics in health services
- (a) Reduce the proportion of uneducated people
  - (b) Improve the quality of the life
  - (c) Determination of the consequences of a particular choice
  - (d) All of the above
9. Health care system used to
- (a) Finance personal health care services
  - (b) Create the models of health services
  - (c) A + B
  - (d) None of the above

10. The models of health care financing
- (a) Beveridge model
  - (b) Bismarck model
  - (c) National Health Insurance Model
  - (d) All of the above

PART B — ( $5 \times 5 = 25$  marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Explain the nature and scope of Health Economics.

Or

- (b) Write a brief note on 'World Health Organization'

12. (a) State the objectives of Traditional Health Care.

Or

- (b) Narrate the importance of Homeopathy.

13. (a) Indicate the resource allocation problems in Government Hospitals.

Or

- (b) Outline the tradeoffs between quantity and quality of health services.

14. (a) Illustrate the failure of the market to provide essential health services.

Or

- (b) Explain the role of nurses in the health services.

15. (a) Explain the role of financing Institutions in health services.

Or

- (b) Write a brief note on 'Health Cess'.

PART C — ( $5 \times 8 = 40$  marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Explain in detail the role of Health Economics in the level of economic development.

Or

- (b) Analyze the growth of public expenditure on health.

17. (a) Discuss the steps to improve traditional health care in India.

Or

- (b) Briefly explain the growth of Allopathy.

18. (a) Examine the application of production function in the health sector.

Or

- (b) Enumerate the role of physician and the demand for health services.

19. (a) Describe the evaluation of benefits and cost of health services.

Or

- (b) Suggest measures to effective training to professional manpower.

20. (a) Explain the need for a special insurance for the poor.

Or

- (b) Make a review of per capita and public expenditure on health services.

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