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Fourth Semester

Economics — Allied

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

(For those who joined in July 2020 only)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. In India agriculture is a
(a) Primary sector (b) Secondary sector
(c) Tertiary sector (d) None
2. Which one of the following is the problem of small farmer?
(a) Lack of capital
(b) Lack of modern equipment
(c) Poor irrigation facilities
(d) All the above

7. Reason for the gender pay gap is
(a) Discrimination
(b) Negotiation
(c) Lack of mobility to reach job sites
(d) All the above
8. Problem of agricultural labourers is
(a) Seasonal unemployment
(b) Indebtedness
(c) High wages
(d) Both (a) and (b)
9. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana — Crop insurance (PMFBY) was introduced in
(a) 1960 (b) 1965
(c) 2016 (d) 1990
10. Agricultural Prices Commission was set up in the year
(a) 1959 (b) 1963
(c) 1965 (d) 1970

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3. Land reform means
(a) Abolition of intermediary tenures
(b) Reform of tenancy
(c) Regulation of wages
(d) Both (a) and (b)
4. Which state initiated the eradication of Zamindari system?
(a) Bihar
(b) Bengal
(c) Maharashtra
(d) Uttar Pradesh
5. The crop benefited most by Green Revolution is
(a) Paddy (b) Wheat
(c) Pulses (d) Oil seeds
6. In which year the programme 'White Revolution' was launched in India?
(a) 1970 (b) 1975
(c) 1978 (d) 1980

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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) Identify the scope of agricultural economics.
Or
(b) Explain the recent trends in agricultural production.
12. (a) What are the objectives of land reform?
Or
(b) What are the features of 'co-operative farming'?
13. (a) Explain about 'White Revolution'.
Or
(b) State the importance of floriculture.
14. (a) Explain about the wage differentiation between male and female agricultural labourers.
Or
(b) What are the types of agricultural labourers?

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15. (a) State the objectives of agricultural price policy.

Or

(b) What are the defects of Public Distribution System?

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Examine the role of agriculture in economic development.

Or

(b) Explain the causes for low productivity in agriculture.

17. (a) Evaluate the land reform measures.

Or

(b) Examine the advantages and disadvantages of cooperative farming.

18. (a) Describe the impact of Green Revolution.

Or

(b) Discuss the growth of agro based industries in India.

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19. (a) Examine the problems of agricultural labourers.

Or

(b) Explain the measures adopted by the Government for the improvement of agricultural labourers.

20. (a) Describe the features of New Agricultural Policy 2020.

Or

(b) Discuss the need for warehousing.

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