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B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025.

Sixth Semester

Economics — Core

INDIAN ECONOMY

(For those who joined in July 2021 & 2022 only)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. Which of the following is a characteristic feature of the Indian economy?
 - (a) Highly industrialized
 - (b) Predominantly agricultural
 - (c) Fully urbanized
 - (d) Capital intensive

2. HDI is a composite index of which three indicators?
 - (a) Income, inflation, education
 - (b) Life expectancy, education, per capita income
 - (c) GDP, literacy rate, infant mortality
 - (d) Employment rate, education, income
3. Which of the following is a major food crop in India?
 - (a) Cotton
 - (b) Jute
 - (c) Wheat
 - (d) Coffee
4. The Industrial Policy of 1991 aimed to
 - (a) Increase licensing
 - (b) Promote public sector monopolies
 - (c) Liberalize the economy
 - (d) Reduce foreign investment
5. Which of the following is a major issue in the Indian health sector?
 - (a) High private investment
 - (b) Low public spending
 - (c) Surplus of health workers
 - (d) Universal health coverage

6. Which organization is responsible for regulating higher education in India?
- (a) NCERT (b) AICTE
(c) UGC (d) CBSE
7. Which of the following is NOT a type of transport?
- (a) Road Transport
(b) Air Transport
(c) Water Transport
(d) Telecommunication
8. Which type of transport is most commonly used for domestic trade within a country?
- (a) Waterways (b) Air
(c) Road (d) Rail
9. IDBI was initially established as a subsidiary of which institution?
- (a) Reserve Bank of India
(b) State Bank of India
(c) ICICI Bank
(d) Ministry of Finance

10. NASSCOM is an organization related to:
- (a) Banking regulations
(b) Agricultural statistics
(c) IT and software services industry
(d) Manufacturing sector

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Explain the causes of rapid growth of population in India.
Or
(b) Write a short note on human development index.
12. (a) Explain the India's crop pattern.
Or
(b) State the concept of organic farming.
13. (a) Explain the problems faced by higher education in India.
Or
(b) What are the objectives of national urban health mission programme?

14. (a) State the importance of road transport.

Or

(b) Point out the challenges faced by the transport sector in India.

15. (a) What are the factors responsible for the rapid growth of the IT sector in India?

Or

(b) Explain the main functions of ICICI.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Discuss the features of Indian economy.

Or

(b) Analyse the causes for unemployment

17. (a) Describe the causes for low productivity in Indian Agriculture.

Or

(b) Explain the role of agriculture in Indian economy.

18. (a) Describe the progress of higher education in India.

Or

(b) Analyse the recent trends in healthcare expenditure in India.

19. (a) Explain the role of transport in the economic development of a country.

Or

(b) Describe the different types of transport.

20. (a) Explain the role and objectives of IFCI in India's economic development.

Or

(b) Explain the structure and growth of IT industry in India.
