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(CBCS)

(5th Semester)

ECONOMICS

EIGHTH (A) PAPER

(Agricultural Economics)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. Which of the following is not included under farm sector?

- (a) Animal husbandry ()
- (b) Quarrying ()
- (c) Plantation ()
- (d) Poultry ()

2. Which State has the largest forest cover in India?

- (a) West Bengal ()
- (b) Maharashtra ()
- (c) Madhya Pradesh ()
- (d) Odisha ()

3. The proportion of area under various/different crops at a point of time is called
- (a) dryland farming ()
 - (b) sustainable agriculture ()
 - (c) cropping pattern ()
 - (d) land use pattern ()
4. Growing crop one after the other on the same field during different crop seasons is called
- (a) mixed farming ()
 - (b) multiple cropping ()
 - (c) intercropping ()
 - (d) truck farming ()
5. The Computerization of Land Records (CLR) which was started in 1988–89, the object of this project was
- (a) to remove the problems existing in the manual system of maintaining and updating of records ()
 - (b) to remove the intermediaries ()
 - (c) to increase the number of landholdings by an individual ()
 - (d) to facilitate modern technology in agriculture ()
6. Which of the following is not a measure of land reforms?
- (a) Abolition of intermediaries ()
 - (b) Ceiling on landholdings ()
 - (c) Insecurity of tenures ()
 - (d) None of the above ()
7. Which of the following was/were a part of the Green Revolution strategy?
- (a) HYV seeds ()
 - (b) Chemical fertilizers and pesticides ()
 - (c) Irrigation ()
 - (d) All of the above ()
8. The Golden Revolution is associated with
- (a) meats ()
 - (b) horticulture ()
 - (c) fertilizers ()
 - (d) fisheries ()

9. The situation in which the marginal productivity of a labourer is zero or even negative is called
- (a) disguised unemployment ()
 - (b) seasonal unemployment ()
 - (c) frictional unemployment ()
 - (d) industrial unemployment ()
10. During post WTO period (1995–2003), the share of agro-goods in India's global export
- (a) has declined ()
 - (b) has increased ()
 - (c) remained stagnant ()
 - (d) None of the above ()

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Write short notes on the following :

3×5=15

1. (a) Cattle wealth in India

OR

(b) Composition of Indian rural economy

2. (a) Interdependence of agriculture sector and non-agriculture sector

OR

(b) Importance of irrigation in agriculture

3. (a) Mahalwari system of land tenures

OR

(b) Zamindari system of land tenure

4. (a) Importance of technology in agriculture

OR

(b) Factors responsible for Green Revolution

5. (a) Causes of unemployment in rural India

OR

(b) Underemployment in agriculture

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

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1. (a) Discuss the composition and structure of rural economy. How is the rural economy important for the development of urban economy? 5+5=10

OR

- (b) Discuss the importance of forest resources in Indian economy. 10

2. (a) Discuss the role and importance of agriculture in the development of Indian economy. 10

OR

- (b) Describe the factors responsible for low productivity of agriculture sector in India. 10

3. (a) State the principal objectives of land reforms in India. Describe the importance of land reforms in India. 5+5=10

OR

- (b) Describe the components of land reforms in India. What are the problems faced for the implementation of land reforms in India? 5+5=10

4. (a) What do you understand by the term 'Green Revolution'? Discuss the impact of Green Revolution in India. 2+8=10

OR

- (b) What is meant by sustainable agriculture? Discuss the importance of sustainable agriculture in economic development. 3+7=10

5. (a) Explain the negative and positive impacts of globalization on Indian agriculture. 10

OR

- (b) What are the main causes of underemployment and unemployment in rural India? Suggest important measures to solve it. 6+4=10

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