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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 an agro-based industry?

- (a) Cotton industry ()
- (b) Iron and steel industry ()
- (c) Jute industry ()
- (d) Sugar industry ()

2. India rank first in the production of

- (a) meat ()
- (b) silk ()
- (c) milk ()
- (d) sugarcane ()

- 3.** Which of the following is attributable to increase in agricultural productivity?
- (a) Mechanization () (b) Urbanization ()
(c) Privatization () (d) Disinvestment ()
- 4.** Under Mahalwari System of land tenure, the land was owned and cultivated by
- (a) Zamindars () (b) cultivators ()
(c) community () (d) None of the above ()
- 5.** Growing crops one after the other on the same field during different crop seasons is called
- (a) mixed farming () (b) multiple cropping ()
(c) intercropping () (d) strip cropping ()
- 6.** Consolidation of holdings refers to
- (a) the fixation of maximum limit beyond which nobody can hold any land ()
(b) bringing together all plots of land of cultivator in one compact block ()
(c) the system of land tenure in which actual tillers or cultivators also have the ownership or occupancy right ()
(d) None of the above ()
- 7.** The Father of Green Revolution is
- (a) M. S. Swaminathan () (b) Norman Borlaug ()
(c) Verghese Kurien () (d) None of them ()
- 8.** The Yellow Revolution is associated with the production of
- (a) meats () (b) fertilizers ()
(c) oilseeds () (d) fruits/apples ()
- 9.** Disguised unemployment in India is mainly related to
- (a) agricultural sector () (b) industrial sector ()
(c) urban area () (d) service sector ()
- 10.** The target age group of rural youth under TRYSEM which was later merged with SGSY is
- (a) 15–25 () (b) 15–30 ()
(c) 18–30 () (d) 18–35 ()

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Write short notes on the following :

3×5=15

1. (a) Food processing industries and agro-based industries

OR

(b) Distinction between farm sector and non-farm sector

2. (a) Importance of irrigation in agriculture

OR

(b) Distinction between Kharif and Rabi cropping seasons

3. (a) Ryotwari System of land tenures

OR

(b) Importance of land reforms

4. (a) Dry land farming

OR

(b) High-yielding variety (HYV) seeds

5. (a) Unemployment in rural India

OR

(b) Disguised unemployment

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

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

OR

- (b) Discuss the role and performances of livestock sector in India. Highlight the problems faced by livestock sector. 6+4=10

2. (a) Discuss the interdependence between agricultural sector and non-agricultural sector. Which according to you is more important for the development of Indian economy? 8+2=10

OR

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

3. (a) What do you mean by land reforms? What are the causes of slow progress of land reforms in India? Suggest the measures to solve the problems. 2+4+4=10

OR

- (b) Describe the components of land reforms in India. Explain the main features 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 technology in agriculture? How did the introduction of technology into agricultural sector helps in increasing the productivity? 3+7=10

5. (a) Examine the impact of globalization on Indian agriculture. 10

OR

- (b) Discuss the development of Indian agriculture in the post-WTO. 10

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