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B.A Economics

B21EC04DE – Development Economics

(2023 January Admissions)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions in a word or sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Define economic growth.
2. Define environmental economics.
3. Expand HDI.
4. Who developed the neoclassical growth model with exogenous technical progress?
5. What is absolute poverty?
6. What is meant by underdeveloped economy?
7. Mention any one classical economist who wrote on growth.
8. What is demographic transition?
9. What is meant by sustainable development?
10. What is externality?
11. What does the Gini coefficient measure?
12. What is meant by human capital?
13. State one goal of SDGs.
14. What is a public good?
15. Name any one measure of multidimensional poverty.

(1X10=10)

Section B

Answer any ten of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.

16. Which are the components of HDI?
17. What is meant by steady state growth.

18. What is meant by the 'warranted growth rate' in Harrod's Model.
19. Define poverty line and headcount ratio.
20. State any four common features of underdeveloped countries.
21. What is meant by development gap?
22. State the basic idea of the Harrod-Domar Model.
23. What is human development according to Amartya Sen's capability approach?
24. Write a note on demographic dividend.
25. What is meant by sustainable development? Mention any two dimensions.
26. Define externalities and give one example related to environment.
27. What is meant by common property resources? Give one example.
28. Explain the idea of vicious circle of poverty in simple terms.
29. What is meant by optimum population?
30. Briefly explain the concept of division of labour.

(2X10=20)

Section C

Answer any five of the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 4 marks.

31. Explain the main differences between economic growth and economic development with suitable examples.
32. Discuss the classical theories of growth with reference to Adam Smith and Ricardo.
33. Explain the basic idea of Harrod Domar Model.
34. Explain any two measures of poverty.
35. Briefly explain Rostow's stages of growth.
36. Describe the relationship between environment and development.
37. Explain tragedy of commons.
38. Write a short note on environment as a public good and the problem of market failure.
39. Explain the concept of demographic transition with the help of its stages.
40. Discuss in brief the idea of development as freedom.

(4X5=20)

Section D

Answer any two of the following questions in two pages each. Each question carries 10 marks.

41. Explain any three measures of Economic Development.
42. Explain optimum population theory with suitable examples.
43. Explain the concept of sustainable development. Bring out the major environmental problems in developing countries and suggest policy measures.
44. Describe the major characteristics of underdeveloped economies and explain how poverty and inequality are linked with underdevelopment.

(10X2=20)