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Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April 2019
First Degree Programme under CBCSS
ECONOMICS
Open Course II
EC 1661.1 – Agricultural Economics
(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – I

Answer **all** questions. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

1. Agribusiness.
2. Climate change.
3. Regulated marketing.
4. Contract farming.
5. Food processing.
6. Mechanisation of agriculture.
7. PDS.
8. Buffer stock.
9. Short term loans.
10. Kisan credit card.

(10×1=10 Mark

SECTION – II

Answer **any eight** questions **not** exceeding **one** paragraph. **Each** question carries **two** marks.

11. Explain the meaning of agriculture economics.
12. What is agriculture credit ?
13. Distinguish between marketed and marketable surplus.

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14. What are the functions of Regional Rural Banks ?
15. Write a note on agro based industries.
16. Why is agriculture marketing important ?
17. What are the causes of low productivity in agriculture ?
18. Define cropping pattern.
19. Explain the kinds of co-operative farming.
20. What is minimum support price ?
21. Explain the concept of disguised unemployment.
22. What does cobweb model mean ? **(8×2=16 Marks)**

SECTION – III

Answer **any six** questions **not** exceeding **120** words. **Each** question carries **4** marks.

23. Describe the role of agriculture in Indian economy.
24. Write down the importance of farm budgeting.
25. What is the concept of food security ? Write down the main components of food security.
26. Give a brief account on the objectives of PDS in India.
27. What are the achievements of the New Agricultural Strategy ?
28. Examine the functions of NABARD in the disbursement of agriculture credit.
29. Explain the main features of Food Security Act 2013.
30. Write down the advantages of Co-operative Marketing Societies.
31. What are the objectives of agricultural price policy ? **(6×4=24 Marks)**

SECTION – IV

Answer **any two** questions, **not** exceeding **four** pages. **Each** question carries **15** marks.

32. Critically evaluate Lewis theory of unlimited supplies of labour.
33. Examine the impact of WTO on Indian agriculture.
34. Discuss the main sources and trends of agricultural credit in India.
35. Explain Mellor's model of agricultural development. **(2×15=30 Marks)**

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