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Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April 2022

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Economics

EC 1661.1 : AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

(2018 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – A

Very short answer type questions. **One** word to maximum of **2** sentences. Answer **all** questions. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

1. Agri business
2. Multiple cropping
3. Rural indebtedness
4. Animal husbandry
5. Cooperative Marketing Societies
6. Public distribution system
7. Sustainable agriculture
8. Food crops
9. Economic holding
10. Taccavi loans

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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SECTION – B

Short answer type questions. (Not to exceed one paragraph). Answer any **eight** questions. **Each** question carries **2** marks.

11. What are the factors determining agriculture development?

12. Explain the main types of production function in Agriculture Economics.

13. Write a short note on the need of land reforms.

14. Define disguised unemployment.

15. Explain the concept of buffer stock.

16. State the main causes responsible for food shortage.

17. Explain the merits and demerits of small scale farming.

18. Write a note on High yielding variety programme (HYVP)

19. Why do Indian farmers need credit? Explain.

20. What are the benefits of trade between agriculture and industry?

21. Explain Multi-Agency Approach to rural credit.

22. What do you understand by the farming system?

23. Examine the assumptions of Lewis's model of unlimited supplies of labour.

24. What is the role of human factor in transforming tráditional agriculture?

25. Write a note on Agricultural Finance Corporation.

26. Briefly explain Zamindari system.

(8 × 2 =16 Marks)

SECTION – C

Short essay questions. (Not to exceed **120** words).Answer any **six** questions. **Each** question carries **4** marks.

27. Analyse the changing phase of agricultural in development of an economy.

28. Examine the challenges faced by small and marginal farmers in India.

29. Discuss in detail the merits and demerits of diversification of agriculture.

30. Explain the factors determining cropping pattern in India.

31. Describe Mellor's model of agricultural development.

32. What are the effects of climate change on agriculture?

33. Examine the functions and objectives of Food Corporation of India.

34. Comment on the functioning of Regional Rural Bank on rural credit.

35. What are the different types of organic farming? Explain.

36. Briefly outline the main objectives of New Agriculture Policy.

37. Discuss briefly minimum support price policy of India.

38. What are the advantages and disadvantages of modern agriculture?

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

SECTION – D

Long essay questions. Answer any **two** questions. **Each** question carries **15** marks.

39. Critically examine Boserup model of agricultural development.

40. State the major objectives and components of Agriculture Price Policy in India.

41. Analyze the impact of WTO on Indian agricultural sector.

42. Discuss the different types of farm practices prevalent in India.

43. Explain the main sources of agriculture finance in India.

44. Briefly state the implications of economic liberalization on Indian agriculture.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)
