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Economics

EC 1545 — PUBLIC ECONOMICS

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Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION - I

Answer in **one** or **two** sentences. Attempt **all** questions. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

- 1. Market Failure
- 2. Externalities
- 3. Escheat
- 4. Incidence
- 5. VAT
- 6. Taxable Capacity
- 7. Public Debt
- 8. Capital Levy
- 9. Balanced Budget
- 10. Fiscal Policy

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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SECTION - II

Answer **any eight** questions not exceeding **1** paragraph. **Each** question carries **2** marks.

- 11. Mention public economics.
- 12. What are public goods?
- 13. Distinguish between direct and indirect taxes.
- 14. Explain the benefit principle of taxation.
- 15. What do you mean by degressive taxation?
- 16. Distinguish between specific and Advalorem duties.
- 17. What are special assessments?
- 18. What do you mean by shifting of taxes?
- 19. List out the major sources of revenue to local self governments.
- 20. Explain zero-based budgeting.
- 21. What is fiscal deficit?
- 22. Distinguish between vertical and horizontal fiscal devolution.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - III

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

- 23. Examine the role of government in a national economy.
- 24. Explain the basic canons of taxation.
- 25. Write a note on the Goods and Service Tax (GST).
- 26. Explain Wagner's Law.
- 27. Discuss the major effects of public expenditure in an economy.

- 28. Distinguish between performance and programme budgets.
- 29. Examine the role of finance commission in India.
- 30. Explain deficit financing.
- 31. Write a note on the financial administration of a government.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - IV

Answer any two questions not exceeding 4 pages. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 32. Explain the principle of maximum social advantage.
- 33. Discuss the major sources of revenue to the government.
- 34. Examine the major methods of public debt redemption and management.
- 35. Explain the centre-state financial relations in India.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$