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# Fifth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, December 2021 First Degree Programme under CBCSS

## **Economics**

### **Core Course X**

**EC 1545 : PUBLIC ECONOMICS** 

(2018 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

#### SECTION - A

Very Short Answer Type questions. **One** word to maximum of **two** sentences. Answer **all** questions. Each question carries **1** mark.

- 1. Private good
- 2. Tax
- 3. Public expenditure
- 4. Primary deficit
- 5. Dead weight loss
- 6. Market failure
- 7. Gender budgeting

- 8. Fiscal policy
- 9. GST
- 10. Capital levy.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$ 

## SECTION - B

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

- 11. Define club good.
- 12. Write down the subject matter of public finance.
- 13. What do you mean by incidence of taxation?
- 14. Write a note on Critical Limit Hypothesis.
- 15. What is Laffer curve?
- 16. Write a note on federal finance.
- 17. Define balanced budget multiplier.
- 18. Briefly examine the role of government in a developing economy.
- 19. Give a brief account of FBRM Act.
- 20. What is meant by local finance?
- 21. What are the objectives of public debt?
- 22. What is meant by cost benefit analysis (CBA)?
- 23. Write a note on tragedy of commons.

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- 24. Examine the difference between direct tax and indirect tax.
- 25. What is the significance of budget?
- 26. Write a note on built in flexibility.

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

## SECTION - C

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

- 27. Discuss the various sources of public revenue.
- 28. What are the similarities and differences between public finance and private finance?
- 29. Briefly explain the four canons of public expenditure as stated by Findlay Shirras?
- 30. Define taxable capacity? Account for its significance.
- 31. What is Finance commission? What are the main functions of Finance Commission?
- 32. Briefly examine Zero base budgeting.
- 33. Write down the effects of fiscal deficit on an economy.
- 34. How the provision of public goods leads to market failure?
- 35. What are the different classifications of public debt?
- 36. What are the characteristics of good tax system?
- 37. Explain the reasons for the growth of non-development expenditure in India.
- 38. Write down the objectives of deficit financing.

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

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#### SECTION - D

Long Essay question. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 39. Critically examine the Principle of Maximum Social Advantage.
- 40. Discuss the economic effects of public expenditure on production, distribution and economic stability.
- 41. Explain the trends and compositions of public debt in India in the post reform period.
- 42. Examine the issues related to center-state financial relations in India. Discuss the various suggestions to smoothen the working of federal financial system.
- 43. Critically evaluate the Ability to pay theory of taxation.
- 44. What do you understand by the term Budget? Give the classification of public budget.

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

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