

B.A.(Honours) Examination, 2017
Semester-IV
Economics
Course: H-7
(Indian Economy-I)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer **any four** questions

1. Critically discuss mode of production debate in Indian agriculture. How do the scholars revisit the mode of production debate in the present context of agriculture under neo-liberal regime? 5+5
 2. Critically discuss the explanation of A.K. Sen on inverse relationship between farm size and productivity. What is the alternative explanation in the light of Marxian analysis? Critically discuss Sen's policy oriented justification in favour of land reform in this context. 5+3+2
 3. Do you think that green revolution had collapsed in India since 1991 because of the 'policy fatigue' rather than 'technology fatigue' or the vice-versa? Critically discuss. 10
 4. Critically analyze the nature and causes of the agrarian crisis in India with particular reference to the problems associated with food security and poverty in the era of liberalization. 10
 5. a) Do you consider corporate retail chain in agriculture can be a viable alternative in agricultural marketing system? Answer in the light of the experience in some sample state in India during neo-liberal era.
b) What is your opinion about FDI in retail in Indian agriculture? 6+4
 6. a) Explain the trend of rural credit in India since independence. What is in your opinion the reasons behind the re-emergence of moneylenders since 1991.
b) Do you think that micro-credit can be a viable alternative to rural credit as it has been advocated by some neo-liberal economists? 5+5
 7. Do you support the view that the colonialism was the main responsible factor behind the backwardness of agriculture in post-independence India? Justify. 10
 8. Write short notes (**any two**) 5+5
 - a) 'Efficiencies' of family farm, capitalist farm and co-operative farm.
 - b) Pre-colonial Indian agriculture.
 - c) High rate of interest in informal sector in Indian agriculture.
 - d) Land reform and productivity debate.
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