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book for each half.

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2015

Part – III

Economics

Paper – VII

Time: 4 Hours

Full Marks: 80

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer *six* questions taking *three* from each half.

First Half

(Development Economics)

1. What are the major reasons why some countries are rich and others poor? 13½
2. What is Human Development Index? State any two arguments in favour of considering Human Development as an index of development. 5½+8
3. What is disguised unemployment? Critically explain the Lewis model of economic development. 4+9½
4. What major changes take place during the course of development? Explain your answer in the light of Clark-Fisher Thesis. 13½
5. What are the major factors that dictate the choice of techniques in the industrial sector in developing countries? 13½
6. What is the Hirschman's major criticism of the doctrine of balanced growth? What do you understand by the concept of 'unbalanced growth'? 5+½+8

Second Half

(International Economics)

1. Three countries, A, B and C produce 2 goods, X and Y, with only labour using fixed co-efficient technologies. The labour co-efficient matrix is as follows:

	A	B	C
X	a_{lx}	b_{lx}	c_{lx}
Y	a_{ly}	b_{ly}	c_{ly}

It is given that: $a_{lx} / a_{ly} > b_{lx} / b_{ly} > c_{lx} / c_{ly}$. What are the possible patterns of trade? 13½

2. (a) Define Trade Indifference Curves and the Offer Curve and explain with the help of a diagram how the latter is derived from the former. 6½
- (b) Draw the Offer Curves of two trading countries such that there is only one intersection of the two curves. Explain, using this diagram, how equilibrium of international trade is attained. 7

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| 3. Discuss the case for protection with reference to developing countries. | 13½ |
| 4. Critically examine the Purchasing Power Parity theory. | 13½ |
| 5. State and prove the theorem of factor price equalization. | 13½ |
| 6. Write short notes on <i>any two</i> of the following: | 6½+6½ |
| (a) Stolper Samuelson Theorem. | |
| (b) Gains from trade in the Ricardian framework. | |
| (c) Bretton Woods conference. | |
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