

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2018

Semester-IV

Economics

Paper-H-7 (Core)

(Indian Economy-I)

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

1. Do you support the view that land reform is redundant, since Indian agriculture had experienced a 'successful' breakthrough in new agricultural technology? 10
 2. Write a brief note on mode of production debate in India. How do the scholars revisit the mode of production debate in the context of agrarian crisis in the present neo-liberal regime in India? 5+5
 3. 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+4+1
 4. Do you think corporate retail chain in agriculture can be a viable alternative in agricultural marketing system? Answer in the light of a sample state in India during neo-liberal era. What is your opinion about introduction of FDI in retail in Indian agriculture? 7+3
 5. Critically analyze the nature and causes of agrarian crisis in India with particular reference to the problems associated with food security and poverty in the era of liberalization. 10
 6. Critically discuss Bhaduri's theorization about formation of usurious rate of interest in the context of backward agriculture in like India. 10
 7. Do you support the view that the colonialism was the main factor responsible for the backwardness of agriculture in post-independence India? Justify. 10
 8. Write short notes (*any two*) 5+5
 - (a) 'Technology fatigue' versus 'policy fatigue'.
 - (b) Rural credit versus micro credit.
 - (c) 'Efficiencies' of large farm, small farm and co-operative farm.
 - (d) Pre-colonial Indian agriculture.
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