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## ECONOMICS

*(Two hours)*

*Answer to this paper must be written on the paper provided separately.*

*You will **not** be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes.*

*This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.*

*The time given at the head of this paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.*

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*Attempt **all** questions from **Section A** and any **four** questions from **Section B**.*

*The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets [ ].*

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### SECTION A (40 Marks)

*Attempt **all** questions from this Section*

#### Question 1

- (a) *Land is heterogeneous in nature. Explain.* [2]
- (b) *What is meant by *efficiency of labour*? Give *one* reason for low efficiency of labour in India.* [2]
- (c) *Mention *two* important characteristics of Capital as a factor of production.* [2]
- (d) *State *two* qualities of a successful entrepreneur.* [2]
- (e) *Mention *two* factors which gave birth to the *Consumer Movement*.* [2]

#### Question 2

- (a) *What are *inferior goods*? Give an example.* [2]
- (b) *Mention *two* reasons behind the leftward shift of a supply curve.* [2]
- (c) *What is meant by *Price Elasticity of Demand*? When will the Demand Curve be parallel to X-axis?* [2]
- (d) *Draw:*
  - (i) *Unitary Elastic Supply curve*
  - (ii) *Perfectly Inelastic supply curve* [2]
- (e) *Define Food Adulteration. Name *two* health problems caused due to adulterated food.* [2]

### Question 3

- (a) Mention *two* merits of direct tax. [2]
- (b) What is *public expenditure*? [2]
- (c) What is meant by productive and unproductive debt? [2]
- (d) State *two* differences between *progressive* and *proportional* taxation. [2]
- (e) Where should the consumer go to get justice? [2]  
Mention *two* consumer rights.

### Question 4

- (a) State *two* primary functions of money. [2]
- (b) What is meant by double co-incidence of wants? [2]
- (c) Mention *two* advantages of a bank account. [2]
- (d) Briefly explain *Creeping* and *Hyper* inflation. [2]
- (e) Which section of society gains due to inflation? Why? [2]

## SECTION B (40 Marks)

Attempt **any four** questions from this Section

### Question 5

- (a) Explain *five* reasons for the low rate of capital formation in India. [5]
- (b) What is meant by *division of labour*? Explain *two* advantages and *two* disadvantages of division of labour. [5]

### Question 6

- (a) Define *demand*. Explain any *four* factors affecting the demand for a commodity. [5]
- (b) Distinguish between *contraction of supply* and *decrease in supply* with the help of diagrams. [5]

**Question 7**

- (a) Give *five* reasons for the growth of public expenditure in recent times. [5]
- (b) What is a *tax*? Explain *two* merits and *two* demerits of progressive tax structure. [5]

**Question 8**

- (a) Define *money*. Explain various stages in the evolution of money. [5]
- (b) Explain *five* measures adopted by the Central Bank to control inflation. [5]

**Question 9**

- (a) Give *five* ways by which the consumers are exploited? [5]
- (b) Explain the following rights given to consumers:
- (i) Right to be informed.
  - (ii) Right to choose. [5]

**Question 10**

- (a) Explain *five* circumstances under which the law of demand does not operate. [5]
- (b) State *five* differences between the *Central Bank* and a *Commercial Bank*. [5]