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ECONOMICS (HONOURS)

PAPER : VI [CC7]

Date : 07/03/2022
Time : 11 am – 1 pm
Full Marks : 50

1. Answer **any three** questions of the following: [3×4]

   a) Define the idea of development.

   b) Define PQLI.

   c) Explain Kuznets' inverted-U hypothesis.

   d) Explain the three core values of Economic Development.

   e) When is an inequality measure said to be Lorenz-consistent?

   f) Explain the difference between absolute and relative notions of poverty and mention two indices to measure them.

2. Answer **any one** question of the following: [1×8]

   a) Distinguish between a balanced and an unbalanced growth strategy. Which one do you think is more appropriate for a developing country?

   b) Discuss, in detail, the issue of coordination failure using multiple equilibrium and S-curve analysis.

3. Answer **any two** questions of the following: [2×15]

   a) i) "Companies can fail due to bad marketing, even if the product design and manufacturing are excellent. Your local restaurant does not hire famous chefs, and the Grand Hotel does not hire teenage waiters." Which model of development do you think can better explain such phenomena? Discuss, in detail, the model and explain further implications of the model you are referring to.

   ii) Discuss the assumptions of the 'Big Push Theory'. (10+5)

   b) i) Discuss the several conflicts faced by a developing country. Also show that a developing county may face a conflict between present employment and savings. (10)

   ii) Discuss the calculation of HDI in detail. (5)

   c) i) 'Per capita income does not accurately measure an improvement in the standard of living for the majority of population.' — Explain the validity of the statement in the context of using per capita income as an index of development.

   ii) Describe Sen's capability approach in detail. (8+7)

   d) Explain the phenomenon of a "demographic transition." How does it come about and what potential advantages does it offer for growth?

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