

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College under University of Calcutta)

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Mid-Semester Examination, September 2014

Date : 17/09/2014

Time : 2 pm – 4 pm

ECONOMICS (Honours)

Paper : VI

Full Marks : 50

[Use a separate answer book for each group]

Group – A

Unit - I

(Answer **Question No. 1** and **any one** from Question 2 and 3)

1. Derive the necessary conditions for optimum allocation of resources when private goods are produced along with the public goods. [10]
2. What kind of revenue expenditure are recorded in the revenue account and capital account of the government's budget. [3]
3. What is meant by— [3]
 - a) a non-excludable and
 - b) a non rival good. Illustrate with examples.

Unit - II

(Answer **any two** questions)

4. Show, with the help of an example, that any international transactions is recorded twice in a book-keeping account. [6]
5. Explain why the government expenditure multiplier in an open economy is less than that of a closed economy. [6]
6. Explain the concept of covered interest parity. [6]

Group – B

Unit - I

7. Outline and comment briefly on some of the arguments against the idea that population growth is a serious problem in developing nations. [5]

Unit - II

(Answer **any one** question)

8.
 - a) Define the concept of development. [4]
 - b) “Real per-capita income is the ultimate pressure of development” —Provide your argument in favour or against this statement. [6]
 - c) Discuss the capability approach of Prof. A.K. Sen. [5]
9.
 - a) Discuss Goulet's approach of conceptualizing development. [3]
 - b) Discuss co-ordination failure with the graphical explanation. [7]
 - c) Why can't a super-entrepreneur initiate ‘big-push’ in an economy? [5]

Unit - III

10. Discuss the four criteria four inequality measurement. [5]