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First Degree Programme Under CBCSS

Economics

Core Course X

EC 1545 – PUBLIC ECONOMICS

(2018 Admission – Regular)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – I

Answer in one or two sentences. Attempt **all** questions.

1. Marginal Social Benefit.
2. Merit goods.
3. VAT.
4. Budget.
5. Public debt.
6. Fiscal federalism.
7. Non tax revenue.
8. Digressive taxation.
9. Special assessments.
10. Club goods.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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SECTION – II

Answer **any eight** questions not exceeding **one** paragraph. Each question carries **2** marks.

11. What do you mean by consolidated fund of India?
12. Explain the concept of Laffer curve.
13. Examine the term taxable capacity.
14. Explain the concept of performance budgeting.
15. Examine the concept of tragedy of commons.
16. What are the salient features of GST?
17. What are the basic objectives of public debt?
18. What are the basic instruments of fiscal policy?
19. Explain deficit financing.
20. Explain the concept of public finance.
21. What is the concept of financial administration?
22. Examine the basic objective of fiscal policy.
23. Explain the basic revenue sources of local bodies.
24. Distinguish between impact and incidence of taxation.
25. Examine the concept of programme budgeting.
26. Distinguish between ad valorem and specific duty.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION – III

Answer **any six** questions not exceeding **120** words. Each question carries **4** marks.

27. Examine the similarities and dissimilarities between public finance and private finance.
28. What are the basic characteristics of public goods?
29. How externalities lead to market failure?
30. Examine Adam Smith's canons of taxation.
31. What are the basic categories of public expenditure?
32. Examine Gadgil-Mugharjee Formula of fiscal devolution.
33. Critically evaluate Peacock-Wiseman hypothesis.
34. Examine the reasons for the growth of public expenditure in India.
35. What are the basic classifications of public debt?
36. What are the different sources of public revenue?
37. Examine the economic effects of deficit financing.
38. Distinguish between proportional and progressive taxation.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

SECTION – IV

Answer **any two** questions not exceeding **4** pages. Each question carries **15** marks.

39. Examine the various methods of public debt redemption.
40. Critically evaluate the principle of maximum social advantage.

41. Examine the propositions of Musgrave's theory of incidence.
42. Evaluate the merits and demerits of direct and indirect taxes.
43. Critically evaluate Wagner's law of increasing state activities.
44. Examine the nature, scope and significance of public finance.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)
