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## **ECONOMICS**

FIRST PAPER

Full Marks: 200

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer any five questions

- 1. State the 'Law of Demand'. Enumerate the factors that govern the law. Explain its limitations. 5+15+20=40
- 2. Establish the relation between average cost and marginal cost. Why is average cost curve of a firm U-shaped in the short-run? How is the curve derived in the case of an industry?

  15+15+10=40
- 3. Distinguish between market price and normal price. Explain how the price of a commodity is determined in a competitive market. 10+30=40
- 4. What do you mean by real wage? How does it differ from money wage? Does a general cut in wage rate tend to increase employment in the economy?

  5+15+20=40

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(Turn Over.)

- Distinguish between 'differential rent' and 'scarcity rent'. Critically evaluate the Ricardian theory of Rent. 10+30=40
- 6. Discuss the various methods of computation of National Income of a country. Point out the difference between Net National Income (NNI) at factor costs and Net National Income (NNI) at market prices. What are the difficulties in computation of National Income? 10+20+10=40
- 7. Discuss the various phases of trade cycle.

  Explain the monetary causes of trade cycle.

  Suggest measures to counteract trade cycle.

  15+10+15=40
- 8. Explain the Quantity Theory of Money. What are its limitations? How is cash balance approach to Quantity theory considered an improvement?

  15+5+20=40
- 9. What is galloping inflation? Distinguish between demand-pull and cost-pull inflation. What non-economic measures do you like to suggest to contain inflation? 10+10+20=40

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- 10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following:  $20 \times 2 = 40$ 
  - (a) Credit Control Instruments of a Central Bank
  - (b) Difference between the Laws of Returns and Laws of Variable Proportions
  - (c) Cost of Living Index Numbers
  - (d) External Economics of Scale
  - (e) Objectives of Monetary Policy

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