



**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**  
B.A./B.Sc. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2020

**DSE2-ECONOMICS**

Full Marks: 60

**ASSIGNMENT**

*The questions are of equal value.  
The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**Out of papers DSE-701, DSE-702, DSE-703, and DSE-704, students shall have to attempt any *one* paper other than the *four* paper attempted by them in Paper DSE2**

**DSE-701**  
**Economics of Health and Education**

**GROUP-A**

**Answer any *two* questions from the following** 20×2 = 40

1. “The structural relationship between income and health status has shifted over time”. Elucidate by giving reasons for why this structural change has occurred. 10+10=20
2. Do you think education poverty is a principal factor for income poverty? Explain and mention the possible ways to break this cycle. 10+10=20
3. Mention the difference between GDI and GEM. Do these indices reflect true picture of India’s inclusive growth? 10+10=20
4. Explain the structure of health care system of India. Discuss the role of public sector in health care. 10+10=20

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any *two* questions from the following** 10×2 = 20

5. Discuss the public education initiatives taken by the government to increase school attendance and improving learning outcomes. 10
6. Explain briefly the causes of market failure in the health care sector. 10
7. Explain the relationship between education and child labour. 10
8. Explain the concept of ‘burden of disease’ with reference to the Indian economy. 10

**DSE-702**

**Economic History of India (1857-1947)**

**GROUP-A**

**Answer any two questions from the following**

20×2 = 40

1. Give an overview of Colonial India.
2. Narrate the establishment of railways and what were their impacts?
3. Write about the evolution of entrepreneurial structure in British era.
4. Critically discuss the de-industrialization process in Colonial India.

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any two questions from the following**

10×2 = 20

5. Discuss briefly the agrarian structure and land relations in British rule.
6. Identify some of the causes of famines that occurred in India during colonial period.
7. Briefly discuss about the impact of commercialization of agriculture in India.
8. Discuss briefly about some of the important features of India during colonial period.

**DSE-703**

**Indian Political Economy**

**GROUP-A**

**Answer any two questions from the following**

20×2 = 40

1. Write an historical overview of Indian political system.
2. Discuss the changing nature of job security and labor rights.
3. Discuss inequality and exclusion in the context of globalization.
4. Outline the challenges of labour in the era of globalization.

**GROUP-B**

Write short notes on any two

10×2 = 20

1. Financial crisis
2. Sustainable development
3. Labour rights
4. Globalization and uneven development.

**DSE-704**

**Topic in Public Economics**

**GROUP-A**

**Answer any two questions from the following**

20×2 = 40

1. Explain Musgrave's views of the principle of maximum social advantages?
2. What is public goods? How does it differ from private goods? What is impure and pure public goods? Explain free rider problem of associated provision of public goods?
3. What are externalities? What are types of externalities? How Pigouvian tax subsidy system is used to resolve problem of externalities?
4. What is incidence of tax? Explain condition of optimal taxation?

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any two questions from the following**

10×2 = 20

5. State the assumption of Coase Theorem. Explain how externalities are resolved using Coase Theorem.
6. Explain is deadweight loss associated with tax.
7. Explain efficiency and Equity consideration of tax system.
8. Explain reform implemented in indirect tax system in India.

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