

2021

ECONOMICS — HONOURS

Paper : DSE-A-1

[Economic History of India (1857-1947)]

Full Marks : 65

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

Group - A

1. Answer **any ten** questions from the following : 2×10
- (a) How can you compare the urban handicrafts and rural handicrafts in the British period?
 - (b) What was the effect of the World Economic Depression of the 1930s on 'Indian Economy'?
 - (c) What is 'Discriminating Protection'?
 - (d) How were the people classified in land administration during the pre-British period in India?
 - (e) Mention any two commercial crops of India in the pre-independence era.
 - (f) What is 'Ratio Controversy'?
 - (g) Mention any two features of 'New Guarantee System' of Railway construction in British India.
 - (h) What do you understand by 'Managing Agency'?
 - (i) Mention any two outcomes of commercialization of Indian agriculture during the British rule.
 - (j) Mention any two effects of railway construction on Indian economic development during the British rule.
 - (k) Mention any two impacts of 'Discriminating Protection' introduced in India during the inter-war period.
 - (l) What is Ryotwari system?
 - (m) Mention any two features of colonialism in India.
 - (n) What are the phases of development of Indian Railways between 1844 and 1914?
 - (o) What was the 'Mahalwari system'?

Group - B

2. Answer **any three** questions from the following : 5×3
- (a) Mention the main recommendation of the Fowler Committee.
 - (b) What are the implications of 'imperial preference' in foreign trade?

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- (c) Briefly explain the Railway freight and fare policy in India during the British rule.
- (d) What were the problems of 'Managing Agency System'?
- (e) What do you mean by 'Economic Drain' of India?

Group - C

3. Answer **any three** questions from the following :

- (a) Explore the difference between Permanent settlement and Ryotwari settlement. 10
 - (b) What was the Gold Exchange Standard as currency system of India? Did it help India? Why did this currency system break down in 1917? 4+2+4
 - (c) Examine the irrigation system that prevailed in India during the British rule. 10
 - (d) Explain the cause and effects of De-industrialization of India during the 19th century. 5+5
 - (e) What are the features of British colonialism in India? 10
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