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Third Semester M.A. Degree Examination, February 2024

Economics

EC 233 : PUBLIC ECONOMICS

(2018 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART – I

- I. Answer all questions. Explain in a sentence or two.
- 1. Market failure
- 2. Built in stabilizers
- 3. Balanced budget multiplier
- 4. Critical Limit Hypothesis
- 5. NPA and IRR
- 6. Functional finance
- 7. Disinvestment
- 8. Buoyancy of taxation
- 9. Repudiation of debt
- 10. Contingency fluid

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)



PART – II

- Answer any seven questions. Each answer should not exceed 500 words.
- Evaluate the major fiscal functions of the public sector.
- Define public goods. Give its relationship with efficiency and market failure.
- Examine the control and accountability of public expenditure.
- 14. Explain the trade-off between efficiency and equity.
- 15. Discuss Tiebout hypothesis.
- 16. Account for the effect of public debt in a growing economy.
- 17. Distinguish between horizontal and vertical fiscal imbalance.
- 18. What is project evaluation? Give its necessity.
- 19. What are the features of Panchayati Raj and explain its role in rural development?
- 20. Discuss the effectiveness of compensatory fiscal policy.

(7 × 5 = 35 Marks)

PART - III

- III. Answer any three of the following. Each answer should not exceed 1200 words.
- 21. Explain in detail the theoretical explanation of the growth of public sector.
- 22. Discuss public choice theory.
- 23. What are the effects of public expenditure on production and distribution? Examine.
- 24. Write down the ability to pay theory of taxation. Discuss various methods of its measurement.
- 25. Discuss the issues in India's Centre- State financial relations. Suggest remedies.

 $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

