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B.Sc. Semester-VI Examination, 2022-23 ECONOMICS [Honours]

Course ID: 61612 Course Code: SH/ECO/602/C-14
Course Title: Public Economics

Time: 2 Hours Full Marks: 40

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

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

1. Answer any **five** of the following questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

- a) Distinguish between public and private goods.
- b) What do you mean by Govt. budget and Govt expenditure?
- c) What is Public debt?
- d) Define tax. What are the classification of taxes?
- e) What do you mean by regressive tax?
- f) What do you mean by shifting and incidence of taxation?
- g) What does Laffer curve indicates?
- h) What is the meaning of canons of taxation?
- 2. Answer any **four** of the following questions:

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

a) What are the characteristics of a public good?

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- b) What are the merits and demerits of deficit government budget?
- c) What is income tax? Describe the different types of income tax.
- d) Describe the meaning, types and characteristics of canons of taxation. Derive the effects of taxation on distribution. $2\frac{1}{2}+2\frac{1}{2}=5$
- e) What are the sources and purpose of Public debt?
- f) Describe the various principles of taxation.
- 3. Answer any **one** of the following questions:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- a) Derive the optimal provision of Public goods-Lindhal Equilibrium.
- b) What is fiscal federalism in India? Why there is need for redefining fiscal federalism in India in recent years?