

**CSM : 22**

**ECONOMICS**

**PAPER - II**

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

*Marks for each question is indicated against it.*

*Attempt any 5 (five) questions taking not more than 3 (three) questions from each Part.*

**PART - A**

1. Discuss the development and importance of rail transport in India. **(10+10=20)**
2. What is meant by green revolution? Give a brief account of measures adopted to usher in the Green Revolution in India. Explain whether Green Revolution has helped in achieving Food Security in India. **(5+5+10=20)**
3. Examine the role of cottage and small scale industries in the Indian economy. Briefly analyse the problem faced by these industries. **(10+10=20)**
4. Discuss the absolute and relative measures of poverty. What are the main causes of rural and urban poverty? Mention some of the important schemes to alleviate poverty in India. **(7+6+7=20)**

**PART - B**

5. What is the role of Public Distribution System (PDS) in ensuring food security and price stability in the country? Highlight the various short-comings associated with it and suggest measures to overcome them. **(10+5+5=20)**
6. What do you understand by intellectual property rights? Discuss the effects of TRIPS on the Indian Economy with the help of some examples. **(5+15=20)**
7. What is Fiscal Responsibility and why is it important? Discuss the salient features of Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act of 2003. **(5+5+10=20)**
8. Distinguish between centralized and decentralized planning? Which type of planning would be suitable for India and why? **(14+6=20)**

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