



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

CC12-ECONOMICS

DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

Full Marks: 60

ASSIGNMENT

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

GROUP-A

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

1. (a) What is Human Development Index (HDI)? 4+6+10
(b) Do you think HDI as a better measure of development compared to Per Capita Income?
(c) How HDI is constructed?
2. Critically discuss Rostow's theory of economic growth. 20
3. Critically examine the model of surplus labour as advocated by Lewis. 20
4. (a) Discuss some methods of measuring poverty and inequality. 10+10=20
(b) Explain the poverty alleviation programmes of Government of India during the plan period.

GROUP-B

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

5. (a) Distinguish between economic growth and economic development. 6+4
(b) Which concept do you think as more applicable for less developed countries?
6. (a) Identify some of the causes of economic inequality that exist in India. 8+2=10
(b) What is 'Lorenz Curve'?
7. Compare and contrast between Balanced and Unbalanced growth theories of economic development. 10
8. Explain Sen's model of disguised unemployment. 10

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