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Il Semester M.A. Degree (CBSS - Reg./Suppl./Imp.) **Examination, April 2020** (2014 Admission Onwards) ECONOMICS/APPLIED ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS EC02C08: Public Economics - I

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

PART - A

Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks. Choose the correct answer.

- 1. Interest receipts for the loan given to foreign government will be
 - a) Credited in the Capital Account b) Debited in the Capital Account
 - c) Credited in the Revenue Account
- d) Debited in the Revenue Account
- 2. Which of the following is NOT a recognized GST rate?
 - a) 8 per cent

b) 12 per cent

c) 18 per cent

- d) 28 per cent
- 3. Increased fiscal deficit may NOT lead to
 - a) Increase in domestic interest rate
 - b) Fall in domestic private investment
 - c) Increased public investment
 - d) Rise in total borrowing
- 4. The unwillingness of people to pay for the public goods in the belief that the goods would be provided anyway is
 - a) Universal inclusion

b) Horizontal summation

c) Externalities

- d) Free-rider problem
- 5. Principle of income tax is based on
 - a) Natural Justice

b) Benefit

c) Propriety

d) Ability to pay

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- 6. Receipts from sale of shares of Central Public Sector enterprises
 - a) Capital receipts

- b) Non-debt capital receipts
- d) Non tax receipts
- 7. Finance Commission is appointed by the President of India under Article
 - a) 275

- d) 285
- 8. Individualism and laissez-faire were the bedrock of
 - a) Classicals
 - c) Mercantilists

- b) Physiocrats
- d) Keynesians

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PART - B

Answer any eight questions. Each answer should not exceed half page.

- 9. What do you mean by public expenditure?
- 10. Write the difference between Public Finance and Private Finance.
- 11. What are the characteristics of public goods?
- 12. What are the components of non-tax revenue?
- 13. What do you mean by Progressive taxation?
- 14. What is Goods and Service Tax (GST)?
- 15. Explain the ability to pay principle of taxation.
- 16. What is Functional Finance?
- 17. What is optimal taxation?
- 18. What is Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA) ?
- 19. What do you mean by externalities ?

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PART - C

Answer any four questions. Each answer should not exceed two and a half pages

- 20. Write a brief note on different types of public debt.
- 21. Explain Wagner's hypothesis on Public Expenditure with the help of diagram.



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- Write a note on traditional and modern view of the incidence of tax.
- pistinguish between revenue expenditure and capital expenditure.
- pistinguish between monetary policy and fiscal policy.
- What do you mean by market failure? What are the reasons for market failure? (4×5=20)

PART - D

Answer any two questions. Each answer should not exceed six pages.

- State the importance of public debt in the economic development of India. Identify the reasons responsible for the growth of public debt in India.
- What are the reasons for delaying to achieve the targets of FRBM Act?

 Analyze the problem of growing fiscal deficit in India.
- 28. Critically evaluate Kelkar Committee Report for tax reforms in India.
- 29. Explain briefly the merits and demerits of GST system in India. (2×10=20)