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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ECONOMICS

FOURTH SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2016

EC 4808 - PUBLIC ECONOMICS - II

Date: 17-11-2016 Time: 09:00-12:00 Dept. No.

Max.: 100 Marks

PART A

Answer any FIVE questions in about 75 words each

 $(5 \times 4 = 20)$

- 1. Briefly explain the various types of grants-in-aid.
- 2. What is non-developmental expenditure?
- 3. Distinguish between active and passive fiscal policy.
- 4. Write a short note on GST.
- 5. Distinguish between fiscal deficit and revenue deficit.
- 6. Write a short note on Zilla Parishads.
- 7. What is shifting of taxation?

PART B

Answer any FOUR questions in about 300 words each

 $(4 \times 10 = 40)$

- 8. Briefly explain the recommendations of 12th Finance Commission.
- 9. Enumerate the various advantages and disadvantages of VAT.
- 10. Explain the importance of coordination between monetary and fiscal policies in maintaining stability in the economy.
- 11. Explain the Lindahl model of public expenditure.
- 12. With the aid of a diagram explain the concept of multiplier.
- 13. Explain the views of Keynes with regard to effectiveness of monetary and fiscal policies.
- 14. What are the new features of Budget 2016-17 that has impressed you as an economist? Give reasons.

PART C

Answer any TWO questions in about 1200 words each

 $(2 \times 20 = 40)$

- 15. Explain the causes for deficit financing. What are its consequences?
- 16. Explain the role of compensatory finance in maintaining stability in an economy.
- 17. Elucidate the process of shifting and incidence of taxation under perfect competition.
- 18. What are the reasons for financial constraints of local bodies in India? Suggest measures to improve the financial status of local bodies.
