

2017

( 5th Semester )

ECONOMICS

( Honours )

Paper No. : ECO-503 (a)

( **Agricultural Economics** )

Full Marks : 70  
Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. What is cropping pattern? Explain the factors that determine cropping pattern. 3+11=14

*Or*

Explain the changes in land-use pattern in India. Suggest measures for optimal land-use pattern. 10+4=14

2. Explain the methods or practices used in sustainable agriculture. 14

*Or*

What is biotechnology? Explain the application of biotechnology in agriculture. 2+12=14

3. Explain the problems of agricultural finance. Give suggestions to improve agricultural finance. 7+7=14

*Or*

What is agricultural marketing? Explain its main functions. 2+12=14

4. What are the objectives of agricultural price policy? Explain the effects of agricultural price policy on price stabilization. 6+8=14

*Or*

What are the factors that influence demand for agricultural commodities? Explain the need for State intervention to maintain stabilization of agricultural prices. 7+7=14

5. Explain the fishery resources of India both inland and marine. Analyze the various steps taken by the Government for the development of fisheries in India. 5+9=14

*Or*

Explain the various agro-based industries established in India. 14

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