



23. Discuss the relevance and significance of MGNREGA in India.
24. Describe the major trends in inequality in India.
25. Explain the need and significance of quality management in higher education in Kerala.

## PART - D

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 10 marks. (10×2=20)

26. Examine the debate on Market Vs Planned Economy in the context of economic reforms in India.
27. Critically assess the Inclusive growth strategies in the reforms era in India. Give your suggestions.
28. Discuss the relevance of Human Resource Management considering the demographic trend in India.
29. Discuss the Ageing problem in Kerala and its implications. Give your policy suggestions.



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**ECONOMICS/APPLIED ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS**  
**ECO1C04 : Development Issues of Indian Economy (with Special Reference to Kerala) - I**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

## PART - A

Answer all the eight questions. Each question carries half mark. (1/2×8=4)

- Share of service sector in the total GDP of India as of 2013-14 is
  - Less than 45 percent
  - Within the range 40 to 45 percent
  - Just above 45 percent
  - Very near to 60 percent
- One major problem of Indian economy today is the imbalance in growth rates between sectors
  - Industry and Service sectors are both stagnant while Agriculture is slowing down
  - Industry and Agriculture sectors are fast slowing down while services is fast growing
  - Industry sector is stagnant, services sector is fast growing and agriculture sector is declining
  - No imbalance problem in growth rates as all sectors are slowly picking up since the 1990s
- Foreign Exchange Regulation Act (FERA) has been replaced by which Act ?
  - Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA)
  - FERA still exists, no major changes
  - Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act (COFEPOSA)
  - Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA)



4. The book 'Uncertain Glory – India and its contradictions' is authored by
- Jagdish Bhagwati and Pangaria
  - Jagdish Bhagwati and Padma Desai
  - Amartya Sen and Rangarajan
  - Amartya Sen and Jean Dreze
5. Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education in India today is roughly
- About 46 percent (till 2011) percent which is one of the best among the developing countries
  - Over 50 percent (since 2012) and now it is comparable with many of the advanced nations
  - About 20 percent which needs to be raised to 30 percent during the 12<sup>th</sup> Plan (2012-2017)
  - Both (a) and (b) above
6. The major reason for labour immigration in Kerala is
- Higher wage rates
  - Scarcity of labour for doing manual works
  - Both (a) and (b)
  - None of the above
7. Paradox in Kerala health refers to
- Low mortality but high morbidity
  - High human development but low infant mortality
  - High literacy but high incidence of communicable diseases
  - High per-capita consumption but low birth weight
8. As per 1971 Census Kerala had a share of 4 percent of the Indian population. As per 2011 Census, the share of Kerala in the Indian population has changed to
- As high as 4.25 percent
  - Just 2.7 percent
  - About 4.25 percent
  - Nearly 3.5 percent



## PART – B

Answer **any eight** questions. **Each** question carries **two** marks. **(2×8=16)**

- Briefly explain the structural changes in the Indian economy since the early 1990s.
- Discuss briefly the relative growth rates of the three major sectors of Indian economy.
- Describe briefly the concept of modernization of technology and its implications.
- Briefly discuss the trend in unemployment in India since 1991.
- Explain briefly the concept of Poverty Gap Index.
- Enumerate the major Poverty Eradication measures initiated by the Government since 1991.
- What has been the Trickle down effect in the reforms era according to you? Substantiate.
- Briefly explain the concept of Demographic dividend.
- Distinguish between Mortality and Morbidity.
- Briefly explain the trend in respect of 'Under Five Sex Ratio' in Kerala.
- Discuss briefly the Ageing problem in Kerala.

## PART – C

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **five** marks. **(5×4=20)**

- Compare the growth rates of Indian economy between
  - till 1991 and
  - since 1991
- Discuss the Second Generation Reforms in India and its implications.
- Explain relevance and significance of the Rights to Education (RTE) in India.