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ECO 2C08: PUBLIC ECONOMICS – I

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

PART-A

Answer all questions. Objective type.

 $(8x^{1}/_{2}=4)$

- 1. Goods that may be under consumed in a free market are known as
 - a) Public goods

b) Private goods

c) Social goods

- d) Merit goods
- 2. Satellite TV is an example of
 - a) Pure private goods
 - b) Private goods with externalities
 - c) Partially public goods
 - d) Pure public goods
- 3. Which of the following is not a capital expenditure?
 - a) Salary paid to government employees
 - b) Purchase of machine from Germany
 - c) Repayment of loan taken from IMF
 - d) Interest paid on national debt
- 4. Identify the revenue expenditure
 - a) Loan given to State Government
 - b) Repayment of loans
 - c) Construction of school building
 - d) Subsidies

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- 5. Impact of a tax refers to
 - a) Final money burden
- b) Immediate money burden
- c) Indirect money burden
- d) Direct money burden
- 6. Which factor has no role in the shifting of a tax?
 - a) Changes in prices
 - b) Elasticity of demand and supply
 - c) Nature of demand
 - d) Income of the consumer
- 7. The level of external debt rises when the RBI
 - a) Prints more money
 - b) Sells securities to Indians
 - c) Sells securities to foreigners
 - d) Increases the deficit
- 8. Which is not an instrument of fiscal policy?
 - a) Open market operations
- b) Taxation
- c) Public expenditure
- d) Public debt

SECTION - B

Answer any eight questions, each carries 2 marks.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

- 9. Social goods
- 10. Private goods
- 11. Wagners law
- 12. Capital expenditure
- 13. Commercial revenue
- 14. Optimal taxation
- 15. Tax incidence
- 16. Debt trap

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- 17. Sinking fund
- 18. Built-in stabilizers
- 19. Fiscal crisis.

SECTION-C

Answer any four questions, each carries five marks.

 $(4 \times 5 = 20)$

- 20. Bring to light public choice approach.
- 21. Discuss the incidence of tax under perfect competition.
- 22. What is the strategy suggested by the Kelkar Committee regarding public expenditure?
- 23. Elaborate the characteristics of a good tax system.
- 24. Write a note on public debt in India since 1951.
- 25. Explain the limitations of automatic stabilizers.

SECTION-D

Answer any two questions, each carries 10 marks.

(2×10=20)

- 26. Discuss about the optimal provision of public goods.
- 27. Critically examine Pigou's ability to Pay Theory.
- 28. Explain Hicks formal and effective incidence of tax.
- 29. Explain the main reason for the growing fiscal deficit in India.