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Sixth Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – Supplementary/One Time Mercy Chance) Examination, April 2024
(2014 to 2018 Admissions)
Core Course in Economics/Development Economics
6B14 ECO : PUBLIC ECONOMICS

Time : 3 Hours   Max. Marks : 40

PART – A

(Very Short Answer Questions). Answer **all** questions. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

1. What do you mean by a pure good ?

2. What is allocation function ?

3. What is meant by ad valorem tax ?

4. What do you mean by a deficit financing ?   (4×1=4)

PART – B

(Short Answer Questions). Answer **any seven** questions. **Each** question carries **2** marks.

5. Explain the concept of externality.

6. What are the internal sources of public debt ?

7. Distinguish between redeemable and irredeemable debt.

8. What is meant by shifting of taxation ?

9. Briefly explain the merits of VAT.

10. Distinguish between revenue expenditure and capital expenditure.

11. Distinguish between deficit and surplus budget.

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12. Briefly explain the performance budgeting.

13. Give the meaning of federal finance.

14. Give a brief account of the functions of finance commission.   (7×2=14)

PART – C

(Short Essay Questions). Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **3** marks.

15. Explain the free-rider problem and its solutions.

16. Explain the principles of federal finance.

17. Describe the benefit theory of taxation.

18. Explain various methods of repayment of public debt.

19. Explain the Wagner's law of increasing state activities.

20. Describe the merits of zero-base budgeting.   (4×3=12)

PART – D

(Essay Questions). Answer **any two** questions. **Each** question carries **5** marks.

21. Explain the theories of incidence of taxation.

22. Critically examine Wiseman-Peacock hypothesis.

23. Describe the preparation and presentation of budget in India.

24. Discuss the major issues in centre-state financial relation in India. How far the 15th Finance Commission's recommendations are helpful in solving these issues ?   (2×5=10)