# 2018 ECONOMICS ECO: 1.5

### **DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS-1**

Full Marks: 80 Time: 3 hours

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

#### 1. Answer the following questions:

 $2 \times 4 = 8$ 

- (a) Define Poverty Gap?
- (b) Distinguish between economic development and economic growth.
- (c) What is golden age as described by Mrs. Joan Robinson?
- (d) What is Gini Coefficient?

# 2. Answer the following questions:

 $5 \times 4 = 20$ 

- (a) What is HDI? Explain the indicators of HDI.
- (b) What is income inequality? Explain the Lorenz curve as measure of inequality of income.
- (c) Distinguish between backwash effects and spread effects.
- (d) Write a note on how false paradigm model explain the phenomenon of underdevelopment.

# 3. Answer any two of the following questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$ 

- (a) Explain the relationship between Inequality and Growth?
- (b) Discuss the salient features of Big Push Theory?
- (c) Bring out the similarities and dissimilarities between balanced and unbalanced growth.
- (d) Explain the features of the pre-conditions for take off according to Rostow.

## 4. Answer the following questions:

 $16 \times 2 = 32$ 

(a) Explain the necessary condition for the steady and stable growth of an economy in the Harrod growth model. How does an economy experience instability of growth? What are its limitations?

6 + 6 + 4 = 16

What is vicious circle of poverty? How does it contribute to the persistence of poverty in poor countries? How can it be broken?

6 + 8 + 2 = 16

(b) What is Gender Development Index (GDI)? Explain the construction of GDI. 4 + 12 = 16

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Discuss Mrs. Joan Robinson's model of economic growth? Show to what extent it is applicable to underdeveloped countries. 12 + 4 = 16

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