2022

(Held in 2023)

ECONOMICS

(Theory Paper)

Paper Code: ECO 3.1

(International Economics)

Full Marks - 80

Pass Marks - 32

Time - Three hours

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

- 1. Answer the following questions (within 50 words each): 2×4=8
 - (a) State the main idea of 'Availability Approach' to international trade.
 - (b) Under what condition(s) tariff likely to benefit the scarce factor and hurt the abundant factor.
 - (c) What are import duties?
 - (d) What does factor price line represent?

Turn over

- 2. Answer the following questions (within 150 words each): 5×4=20
 - (a) Explain the basic conditions of relative factor abundance in terms of physical and price criterion in H-O model.
 - (b) Give arguments in favour of economic protection.
 - (c) What is dumping? State the conditions under which dumping can be effective. 2+3=5
 - (d) Why India opted out of RCEP?
- 3. Attempt any two of the following questions: $10 \times 2 = 20$
 - (a) Explain how innovating country finally ends up as an importing country of the same product or differentiated product.
 - (b) Explain the effects of tariffs in a small country under general equilibrium.
 - (c) Explain the impact of capital-saving technical progress on capital-labour ratio, factor and commodity prices.
 - (d) Explain the impact of WTO on Indian agriculture.

- 4. Answer the following questions: $16 \times 2=32$
 - (a) (i) Critically explain Rybczynski theory of International Trade.

Or

- (ii) What is an international cartel? State the conditions under which international cartels are likely to be successful? Critically explain determination of price and output policy under international cartels. 2+4+10=16
- (b) (i) Explain the different effects of a tariff under partial equilibrium analysis. 16

Or

(ii) Critically explain how continuous process of technological change can give rise to International Trade.