## 5 SEM TDC ECO M 4

## 2014

( November )

## **ECONOMICS**

(Major)

Course: 504

## ( Monetary Theories and Financial Markets )

Full Marks: 80
Pass Marks: 32

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

- 1. Choose the correct answer/Answer the following/Write True or False: 1×8=8
  - (a) The speculative demand for money is
    - (i) interest-inelastic
    - (ii) income-determining, not incomedetermined
    - (iii) Both (i) and (ii)
    - (iv) None of the above

- (b) A situation of simultaneous high inflation and large-scale unemployment is called
  - (i) disinflation
  - (ii) reflation
  - (iii) stagflation
  - (iv) deflation
- (c) Who talked about 'primary wave' and 'secondary wave' of expansionary economic activity in the context of trade cycle?
  - (i) J. M. Keynes
  - (ii) Hawtrey
  - (iii) Samuelson
  - (iv) J. Schumpeter
- (d) Wealth theory of demand for money was propounded by
  - (i) Alfred Marshall
  - (ii) Robertson
  - (iii) Milton Friedman
  - (iv) A. C. Pigou
- (e) Define bank rate.

- (f) The monetary base of a country is also known as
  - (i) speed money
  - (ii) high-powered money
  - (iii) bank reserves
  - (iv) None of the above
- (g) According to supply-side economists, stagflation arises on account of
  - (i) increase in money wage
  - (ii) high marginal tax rates
  - (iii) changes in inflationary expectations
  - (iv) All of the above
- (h) "The present value of a bond goes up with the increase in the market rate of interest."
  - (i) True
  - (ii) False

Answer the following within 500 words each:

2. (a) What is demand for money? Discuss the quantity theory approach to demand for money and critically evaluate it. 2+10=12

Or

(b) What are various measures of money supply in India? Explain how changes in supply of money can affect the rate of interest. 6+6=12 3. (a) Distinguish between 'demand-pull' and 'cost-push' inflation with the help of suitable diagrams. Examine the effects of inflation on distribution. 6+5=11

Or

- (b) Define stagflation. Discuss the views of the monetarists and supply-side economists on the causes of stagflation. Briefly explain the measures that can be taken to combat stagflation. 2+5+4=11
- **4.** (a) What is business cycle? Explain the features of different stages of business cycles. 2+9=11

Or

- (b) Critically examine Hawtrey's monetary theory of business cycle. Point out the policy implications of the theory. 8+3=11
- **5.** (a) Define credit multiplier. Explain the process of multiple credit creation by the commercial banks. 2+9=11

Or

(b) What do you mean by selective credit control? In what ways are they superior to quantitative credit control? 2+9=11

6. (a) What is money market? Discuss the characteristics of a developed money market. 2+9=11

Or

- (b) Examine the banking sector reforms in India in the context of Narasimham Committee Report.
- 7. Write short notes on any four within 150 words each: 4×4=16
  - (a) Deflation and its impact on production
  - (b) Principles of portfolio management
  - (c) Relationship among money supply, monetary base and money multiplier
  - (d) Speculative demand for money
  - (e) Open market operation
  - (f) Liquidity trap

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