2011

M.A/M.Sc.

4th Semester Examination ECONOMICS

PAPER-XIV (EC-2402)

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Group-A

1. Answer any five of questions:

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- (a) Does off-farm employment differ from non-farm employment in India?
- (b) What do you mean by 'Informalisation of the formal sectors' in India?
- (c) Define unorganised workers.
- (d) Distinguish between National Rural Employment Guarantee programme and the earlier wage employment programme.
- (e) What do you mean by Microfinance programme in India?
- (f) What is the trend of poverty and inequality in West Bengal during the post reform period?
- (g) What do you mean by change in cropping pattern?
- (h) What are the reasons for the persistence of indebtedness among the farmer households in India?
- (i) Define the concept of economic drain.
- (j) Define the concept of food security.

(Turn Over)

Group-B

- 2. Answer any two questions:
 - (a) Explain the constraints of Rural Industrialisation in India.
 - (b) Analyse the structural composition of rural non-farm employment.
 - (c) What a note on Ashok Mehta Committee's recommendation on decentralized planing in India.
 - (d) Discuss the effects of de-industrialisation in India during the British period.

Group-C

3. Answer any two questions:

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- (a) Briefly explain the features of National Rural Health Mission in India. Evaluate the performance of the Mission.
- (b) Explain the factors that determine the variation of rural non-farm employment in India.
- (c) Discuss the evolution of decentralized planning with special emphasis on the following:
 - (a) District Planning Committee.
 - (b) District Development Plan.
 - (c) Village development Report.
 - (d) City corporate plan.
- (d) Discuss briefly the causes and consequences of commercialisation of agriculture in India during the British period.