

MA DEGREE (CSS) SPECIAL REAPPEARANCE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025

Third Semester

MAECONOMETRICS

CORE - EM010303 - PUBLIC FINANCE AND PUBLIC CHOICE

2020 ADMISSION ONWARDS

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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any eight questions.

Weight **1** each.

- 1. Define quasi-public goods with an example.
- 2. Define club goods.
- 3. What is a decision-making cost function?
- 4. State Wagner's law.
- 5. Is consumption tax base superior over income tax base? Justify your answer.
- 6. Define revenue deficit.
- 7. Define intergenerational equity.
- 8. Define the two principles of jurisdictional design identified by Stigler.
- 9. Specify distribution of fiscal capacity.
- 10. Define fiscal illusion.

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight 2 each.

- 11. Explain market failure and externalities.
- 12. Elaborate the term collective choice. What is meant by the problem of collective choice?
- 13. Graphically illustrate X-inefficiency. What are its causes? Give examples.
- 14. Analyse Baumol's model of public sector growth.



- 15. Briefly analyse the partial equilibrium view of factor taxes.
- 16. Briefly explain the budgetary policy in India.
- 17. Write a short note on 15th finance Commission.
- 18. Explain terms of reference & challenges before 15th finance commission.

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two questions.

Weight 5 each.

- 19. Explain the provision of public goods with the help of models.
- 20. What do you infer from the term 'lobbying'? How are interest groups different from lobbyists? Do you find any similarities between both? Justify.
- 21. Give an essay on the various concepts of incidence of taxation.
- 22. Explain the theories of public debt.

(2×5=10 weightage)