

CLASS - XII
POST MID-TERM EXAMINATION (2025-2026)
ECONOMICS (030)
SET A1

Time Allowed: 3 hours

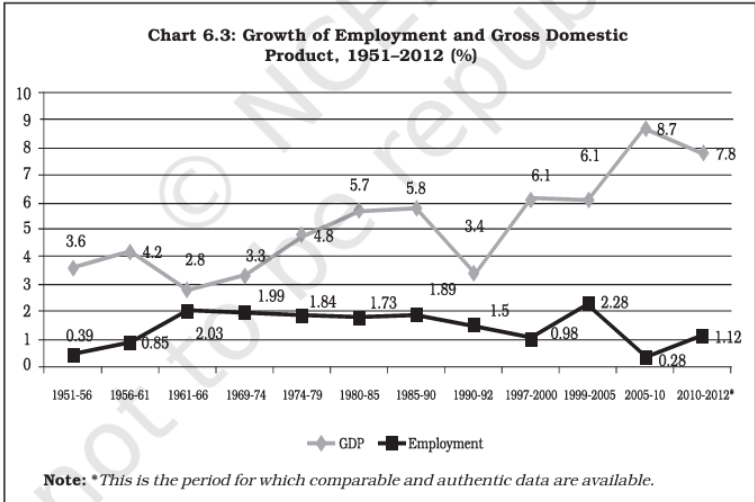
Max. Marks: 80

General Instructions:

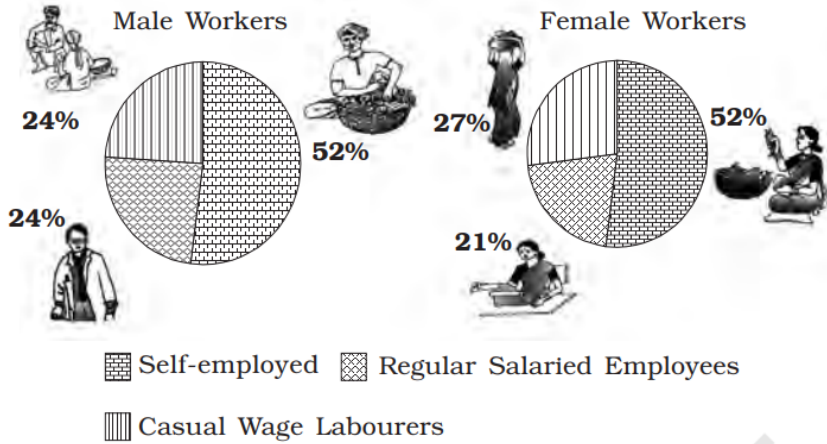
1. *This question paper contains two sections:*
Section A – Introductory Macroeconomics
Section B – Indian Economic Development
2. *This paper contains 20 multiple choice questions of 1 mark each.*
3. *This paper contains 4 Short Answer Questions of 3 marks each to be answered in 60-80 words*
4. *This paper contains 6 Short Answer Questions of 4 marks each to be answered in 80-100 words.*
5. *This paper contains 4 Long Answer Questions of 6 marks each to be answered in 100-150 words.*

Q. NO.	QUESTIONS	MARKS
SECTION A: INTRODUCTORY MACROECONOMICS		
1	Import of machinery by India will be recorded in the _____ account of BOP on the _____ side. (a) Current, debit (b) Current, credit (c) Capital, debit (d) Capital, credit	1
2	If legal reserve requirement is 10% and total deposits created are Rs. 3 lakhs, estimate the value of primary deposits. (a) Rs. 30 lakhs (b) Rs. 30,000 (c) Rs. 100 (d) Rs. 3.3 lakhss	1
3	Consider these statements: I. Grants given by the Centre to states for building schools are Revenue Expenditure. II. Grants received by the Centre from foreign countries for infrastructure projects are Revenue Receipts. Which of these is correct? (a) Only I (b) Only II (c) Both I and II (d) Neither I nor II	1
4	An increase in demand for foreign currency leads to:	1

	(a) State how RBI can use the tools of repo rate and legal reserve ratio in order to control inflationary tendencies in an economy. (b) What is frictional unemployment? Why does it arise?	4 2
17	Answer the following questions: (a) State true or false, giving reason - A current account surplus means that the country has a favourable trade balance. (b) Examine how the exchange rate might respond when domestic investors suddenly move a significant portion of their funds abroad to seek higher returns. Give reasons and illustrate with a diagram. OR Answer the following questions: (a) State true or false, giving reason - Disequilibrium in BOP may be caused by either autonomous or accommodating transactions. (b) Analyze the likely effect on the exchange rate when interest payments on the country's foreign loans increase sharply. Give reasons and illustrate with a diagram.	2 4 2 4
SECTION B: INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
18	Which of these programs were initiated by the Government of India for rural development? (a) National Rural Livelihood Mission (b) Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (c) Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna (d) All of the above	1
19	On the eve of independence, what was the actual growth rate of the per capita income? (a) 0.28% (b) 0.7% (c) 0.5% (d) 1.8%	1
20	Which of the following is false regarding disguised unemployment? (a) Mounting pressure of population in rural areas with no alternative employment (b) Marginal productivity of worker is high (c) Feature of agrarian economy (d) More people are engaged than required	1
21	State the year in which NABARD was established.	1
22	Import substitution could be justified due to which of the following reasons: 1. Indian industries were at an infant stage and needed protection. 2. Indian policy makers were cautious about sovereignty and economic independence of the nation. 3. We already had a strong industrial base and there was no need of imports. 4. Indian industries were not in a position to compete with technologically advanced countries. Options: (a) Only 1 (b) 1,2 and 3 only	1

	(c) 1,2 and 4 only (d) 1 and 4 only																																								
23	Which agency is responsible for implementing the rules and regulations for technical education?	1																																							
24	Arrange the marketing processes in order: 1. Grading the produce as per quality 2. Gathering the produce after harvesting 3. Processing the produce 4. Packing the produce (a) 1,2,3,4 (b) 2,3,1,4 (c) 1,3,2,4 (d) 3,1,2,4	1																																							
25	Read the following two statements and choose the correct alternative from below: Assertion (A): After the New Economic Policy announced in 1991, domestic competition has increased. Reason (R): Industrial sector reforms abolished industrial licensing for all the projects, except for a short list of industries. (a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A). (b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). (c) Assertion (A) is true and Reason (R) is false. (d) Assertion (A) is false and Reason (R) is true.	1																																							
26	The graph depicts _____ growth in India from 1990s characterized by the widening gap between growth rates of GDP and employment. (one word answer) Chart 6.3: Growth of Employment and Gross Domestic Product, 1951-2012 (%)  <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Period</th> <th>GDP (%)</th> <th>Employment (%)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1951-56</td><td>3.6</td><td>0.39</td></tr> <tr><td>1956-61</td><td>4.2</td><td>0.85</td></tr> <tr><td>1961-66</td><td>2.8</td><td>2.03</td></tr> <tr><td>1966-74</td><td>3.3</td><td>1.99</td></tr> <tr><td>1974-79</td><td>4.8</td><td>1.84</td></tr> <tr><td>1980-85</td><td>5.7</td><td>1.73</td></tr> <tr><td>1985-90</td><td>5.8</td><td>1.89</td></tr> <tr><td>1990-92</td><td>3.4</td><td>1.5</td></tr> <tr><td>1997-2000</td><td>6.1</td><td>0.98</td></tr> <tr><td>1999-2005</td><td>6.1</td><td>2.28</td></tr> <tr><td>2005-10</td><td>8.7</td><td>0.28</td></tr> <tr><td>2010-2012*</td><td>7.8</td><td>1.12</td></tr> </tbody> </table> Note: *This is the period for which comparable and authentic data are available.	Period	GDP (%)	Employment (%)	1951-56	3.6	0.39	1956-61	4.2	0.85	1961-66	2.8	2.03	1966-74	3.3	1.99	1974-79	4.8	1.84	1980-85	5.7	1.73	1985-90	5.8	1.89	1990-92	3.4	1.5	1997-2000	6.1	0.98	1999-2005	6.1	2.28	2005-10	8.7	0.28	2010-2012*	7.8	1.12	1
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27	Which approach was adopted by India in 1969 to meet the needs of rural credit? (a) Social banking (b) Multi-agency (c) Both a and b (d) None of these	1																																							

28	Explain any three industrial sector reforms that were undertaken as part of economic reforms in India. OR Explain industrial policy resolution of 1956.	3
29	<i>Public investment in health and education is essential for human capital formation and economic growth.</i> Do you agree? Give reasons.	3
30	After 1949, China adopted a centrally planned system under Mao Zedong. The government controlled all resources, industries and agriculture. In 1958, Mao launched a policy to rapidly transform China from an agrarian economy into an industrial one. The policy emphasized collective farming through communes, large-scale production and rural industrialization. However, poor planning, forced collectivization and natural calamities caused massive economic and social problems. During the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, Mao attempted to remove capitalist and traditional influences. Schools and universities were closed, intellectuals faced persecution and political turmoil disrupted economic progress. After Mao's death in 1976, Deng Xiaoping introduced market-oriented reforms. Private enterprise was permitted, Special Economic Zones (SEZs) were created, and agriculture was decentralized through the Household Responsibility System. China gradually moved toward a mixed economy, achieving rapid growth while maintaining political control. Based on the above, answer the following questions: (a) Name the policy discussed above that was implemented in 1958. (b) In which year was the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution implemented? (c) <i>Economic reforms in China were introduced in phases.</i> State any two reforms that were implemented in the later phases.	1 1 2
31	Interpret the given picture on account of current environmental challenges. 	4

32	Is it necessary to generate employment in the formal sector rather than in the informal sector? Why? OR Analyze the distribution of employment by gender as given below.  Male Workers Female Workers 24% 52% 27% 52% 21% Self-employed Regular Salaried Employees Casual Wage Labourers	4
33	(a) What is agricultural marketing? (b) State any two problems facing the above system. (c) Explain the role of cooperative marketing in agricultural marketing system.	1 2 3
34	Answer the following questions: (a) <i>“India, China and Pakistan have travelled more than seven decades of developmental path with varied results.”</i> Explain the given statement with valid arguments. (b) Why are regional and economic groupings like SAARC, BRICS etc. formed by countries? OR Answer the following questions: (a) What similar development strategies have India and Pakistan followed for their respective developmental paths? (b) Compare and contrast the development of India, China and Pakistan with respect to some human development indicators.	3 3 3 3