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Third Semester M.S.W. Degree (Reg./Sup.) Examination, December 2011 Optional – II : RURAL AND URBAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT O II RUCDII : Development Economics

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

## PART-I

Answer any six questions. Each question carries 3 marks. Answer to a question is limited to 100 words.

Write short notes :

1. Obstacles to economic development.

2. Victims of poverty.

3. MGNREGA.

4. Sustainable development.

- 5. New economic policy.
- 6. Small scale industries.
- 7. Children as victims of poverty in India.

8. Ryotwari system.

9. Agricultural labourers and minimum wages.

(6×3=18)

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#### PART-II

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 6 marks. Answer to a question is limited to 200 words.

10. Discuss the causes of low productivity in agriculture.

- 11. Discuss the issues in institutional sources of rural credit.
- 12. Explain the advantages and disadvantages of farm mechanization.
- 13. Micro-enterprises have been significant in economic empowerment of women. Comment.
- 14. How do you differentiate between under developed and developing economy ?
- 15. Describe the various measurements of poverty.
- 16. Briefly describe the factors of economic development.
- 17. What are the major agricultural crops in Kerala ? Comment on the significance of farming in Kerala economy.
- Explain the role of NGOs in promoting rural economy with examples from your fieldwork experience. (5×6=30)

#### PART – III

Answer any two questions. Each question carries equal marks. Answer to a question is limited to 900 words.

- Sketch the history of five year plans in India. Analyse the priorities of five year plans in the country.
- Discuss the economic, social, political, cultural and religious factors that cause poverty.
- Write an essay on the cropping patterns of India and what are the measures to develop agriculture in India. (16× 2=32)