



MAR IVANIOS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Reg. No. :.....

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First Semester B.A. Degree Examination, November 2015

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Foundation Course – I: (for Economics)

AUEC121: Methodology of Social Sciences with Special Reference to Economics

(for 2015 Admissions Only)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

SECTION – A

Answer ALL the following terms each in one or two sentences.

1. Renaissance
2. Linguistics
3. Case Study
4. Hypothesis
5. Robbins definition of Economics
6. Monetarism
7. Consumer surplus
8. Partial equilibrium
9. Market glut
10. Economies of scale

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

SECTION – B

Write short notes on any EIGHT of the following, not exceeding a paragraph.

11. What is social science ?
12. State four reasons why social science research is important.
13. What is demographic analysis ?

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14. Examine equation of exchange.
15. What is empiricism ?
16. Distinguish between anthropology and psychology.
17. What is sample survey ?
18. Distinguish between positive science and normative science.
19. Distinguish between statics and dynamics.
20. Comment on the nature of economic laws.
21. Elucidate Say's Law of Market.
22. What do you mean by division of labour ?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION – C

*Short essay type : Answer any **SIX** questions, each not to – exceed one and a half page.*

23. Write short note on Enlightenment.
24. Discuss the relevance of social sciences in understanding and solving contemporary problems.
25. Which are the different library materials used in social sciences ?
26. Examine the uses of statistics in Economics.
27. Elucidate deductive method and its merits.
28. What do you mean by comparative statics ?
29. Briefly discuss the Malthusian theory of population.
30. Examine the major thoughts of historical school.
31. Differentiate between micro economics and macro economics.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

SECTION – D

*Long essay type : Answer any **TWO** questions, each not exceeding three pages.*

32. Discuss the various branches of social sciences.
33. Examine the different steps involved in scientific method.
34. Discuss the models in economics.
35. Discuss the contributions made by classical economists and neo classical economists to Economics.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)

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