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**M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION- OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2017**

**SEMESTER 3 : ECONOMICS**

**COURSE : 16P3ECOT12 ; PUBLIC ECONOMICS I**

*(For Regular - 2016 admission)*

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**Section A**

**Answer any 8 (2 marks each)**

1. Regulatory function of government
2. Causes of government failure
3. Global public good
4. Distinguish between public good and pure public good
5. Partial public goods
6. Price stability
7. Surplus budget
8. Compensatory finance
9. Money burden
10. Equal absolute sacrifice
11. Ideology
12. Platforms & Coalitions

**8 x 2 (16)**

**Section B**

**Answer any 7 (5 marks each)**

13. Briefly explain the distributive and regulatory role of government role of government
14. Existence of public goods leads to free rider problem, elucidate
15. Discuss the voluntary exchange theory of Lindahl
16. Explain the causes of distributive inequalities of public goods in India
17. Account for the various factors which influence the incidence of a tax
18. Compare the automatic and discretionary stabilisation measures

19. Discuss the types and effects of VAT
20. Compare the effects of rules vs discretionary changes for stabilising the economy
21. How does collective bargaining affect economic and political decisions?
22. Do you think voting is best method to reveal the preference of a society? Elaborate your answer.

**7 x 5 (35)**

**Section C**

**Answer any 2 (12 marks each)**

23. Discuss the rationale for fiscal policy in a mixed economy where market fails
24. Explain the recent developments in the theory of public good
25. Outline briefly the major tax reform measures recommend by the TRC for reforming direct taxes in India
26. How consistent individual preferences lead to contradicting social welfare criteria? Explain it with the help of a general theorem

**2 x 12 (24)**