M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2018 SEMESTER 3 : ECONOMICS

COURSE: 16P3ECOT12: PUBLIC ECONOMICS I

(For Regular - 2017 Admission & Supplementary - 2016 Admission)

Time : Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

Section A Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 1. Distribution function of government
- 2. Pareto efficiency
- 3. Free rider problem
- 4. Coasian solution
- 5. Partial public goods
- 6. Tax-GDP ratio
- 7. Functional finance
- 8. Distinguish between Budget deficit and Fiscal deficit
- 9. GST
- 10. Implicit Logrolling
- 11. Bureaucracy
- 12. Benefit principle of taxation.

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

Section B Answer any 7 (5 marks each)

- 13. How does the budget act as a means of operationalizing the planning process
- 14. Explain the efficiency conditions for public goods
- 15. Briefly explain the partial equilibrium analysis of provision of public goods
- 16. Distinguish between positive and negative externalities. To what extent externalities are responsible for market failure
- 17. Briefly explain GST and its implications
- 18. Compare the automatic and discretionary stabilisation measures
- 19. Analyse the modern theory of incidence of taxation
- 20. Explain the role of fiscal policy in alleviation of poverty.
- 21. How does collective bargaining affect economic and political decisions?
- 22. Define the term bureaucracy. What is the role of bureaucracy in a society?

 $(5 \times 7 = 35)$

Section C

Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 23. Discus the role of government and the need for public policies in ensuring the economic welfare
- 24. Explain the recent developments in the theory of public good
- 25. Analyse the situation of voting paradox and suggest solutions to it.
- 26. Explain the concepts of DUP activity & rent seeking activity in detail

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$