## POST GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN AGRICULTURAL POLICY (PGCAP)

**Term-End Examination** 

June, 2015

## MNR-001 : INDIAN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note: (i) Attempt any five questions. (ii) All questions carry equal marks.

- What is the importance of "Green Revolution" in 10 securing food security in India ? Describe the key factors that helped to bring about the "Green Revolution" in the country.
- 2. (a) Explain the importance of plant breeders 5 and farmers' rights.
  - (b) Briefly explain the various cost concepts 5 used to compute the cost of production of agricultural commodities.
- Discuss the challenges faced in application of ICT 10 in agriculture and suggest strategies for its effective utilization.
- Discuss in detail various WTO agreements 10 concerning agriculture to establish fair trading system.

- 5. Explain the different types of cooperative **10** marketing societies in India. What is the structure of these societies ?
- 6. Describe the various crop insurance programmes/ 10 schemes implemented from time to time in India. Highlight the merits and shortcomings of each.
- 7. (a) What was the need to initiate land reforms 5 in India ? Explain the major types of land reforms that were implemented after independence.
  - (b) Explain the significance of farm animals in 5 traditional Indian agriculture.
- 8. Write short notes on **any five** of the following :
  - (a) Globalisation of agriculture 5x2=10
  - (b) Agricultural subsidy
  - (c) Rural industrialization
  - (d) Antyodaya Anna Yojana
  - (e) Characteristics of agricultural labour in India
  - (f) Plant quarantine
  - (g) Buffer stock operations and policy
  - (h) Agricultural taxation in India