

**POST GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN
AGRICULTURAL POLICY (PGCAP)**

Term-End Examination

June, 2012

**MNR-001 : INDIAN AGRICULTURAL
DEVELOPMENT**

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) Explain the main features of the WTO Agreement on Agriculture. 5
- (b) Discuss the relationship between agriculture and Industry. 5
2. (a) What do you understand by trade distortions ? What are the factors that can lead to distortions in trade ? 5
- (b) Explain the structure of cooperative marketing system in India. 5
3. How can NGOs help in the process of agricultural development in India ? What is their relevance in a country like India ? 10
4. Discuss the role of agriculture in the Indian economy. 10

5. (a) What do you understand by "buffer stock"? 5
What is the importance of a buffer stock policy in a country like India ?
- (b) What do you understand by sustainable 5
agriculture ? What are the measures that are required for achieving sustainable agriculture ?
6. What is the importance of germplasm 10
conservation ? Explain the different methods of germplasm conservation.
7. (a) Discuss some of the major problems that 5
affect soils and land in India.
- (b) Explain the importance and composition of 5
livestock resources of India.
8. Write short notes on *any five* of the following :
- (a) Training and visit system of extension 5x2=10
- (b) Challenges in ICT applications in rural areas.
- (c) Regional Rural Banks
- (d) Codex Alimentarius
- (e) Intellectual Property Rights
- (f) Agro - climate zones
- (g) Levy scheme of rice procurement
- (h) Input cost indexation approach
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