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MASTER'S DEGREE (C.S.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2024 2023 ADMISSIONS REGULAR SEMESTER II - CORE COURSE - Economics EC2C08TM20 - Public Economics

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 1 weight

(8x1=8)

- 1. What do you mean by global public goods?
- 2. How would you compare market for public goods and private goods?
- 3. Define club good with a suitable example.
- 4. What is voter externality cost?
- 5. Explain the bureaucratic role in decision making process.
- 6. Explain Leviathan Hypothesis.
- 7. State critical limit hypothesis.
- 8. Define the term intergenerational equity.
- 9. Write a note on 73rd Amendment Act.
- 10. Explain the criteria for the devolution of funds between Centre and State Governments.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 2 weight

(6x2=12)

- 11. Give an account of the positive and normative approaches of the role of government to ensure paretoefficiency in the market.
- 12. Government intervenes to solve market failure arising due to information failures and incomplete markets. Substantiate this argument.
- 13. Identify the solution put forward by Coase to solve externalities.
- 14. Analyse political interaction costs of democratic voting theory with suitable diagram.
- 15. Explain Downs Model on Demand and Supply of Government policy.
- 16. How rent seeking activity create an imbalance in political process?
- 17. Briefly explain the theories of public expenditure.
- 18. Explain Planning commission V/s. Finance Commission.

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

(2x5=10)

- 19. Write a note on the different issues related to market failure. Do you think government intervention is essential.
- 20. Elaborate Samuelson's partial and general equilibrium models of public goods.
- 21. Differentiate the components of budget. Which are the different budgetary deficit concepts? What are its implications?
- 22. State and explain the causes of Centre-State Conflict on Finance. Explain the relevance of Gadgil formula in rectifying the imbalance.