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# BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024. 2023 ADMISSIONS REGULAR SEMESTER III - CORE COURSE (ECONOMICS )

EC3C04B23 - Public Economics

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

#### Part A

# I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks

(10x2=20)

- 1. Explain allocation function of government.
- 2. Define the terms, merit good and mixed good.
- 3. Define the term 'public finance'.
- 4. Discuss on the widening scope of public finance.
- 5. Define shifting of taxation.
- 6. Distinguish between impact and incidence of taxation.
- 7. How is VAT different from GST?
- 8. Distinguish between revenue expenditure and capital expenditure.
- 9. Discuss Peacock-Wiseman hypothesis.
- 10. Explain the concept of non-plan capital expenditure.
- 11. Compare voluntary and compulsory loans.
- 12. Give an account of 14th Finance Commission.

#### Part B

# II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

(6x5=30)

- 13. Analyse the characteristics of private good.
- 14. Explain the meaning and subject matter of public finance.
- 15. Explain in detail on free-rider problem.
- 16. Elaborate the features of GST implemented in India.
- 17. List out different canons of taxation.
- 18. Differentiate between short term, medium-term and long term loans in case of the public debt.
- 19. Explain the burden of internal debt.
- 20. Analyse Adolph Wagner hypothesis. What are the factors responsible for increase in public expenditure?
- 21. Explain inter-governmental resource transfer.

### Part C

# III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

(2x15=30)

- 22. Elaborate on progressive, proportional, regressive and degressive taxes.
- 23. Comment on the status of Gender Budgeting in India.
- 24. Outline the public expenditure and public debt situation in the country.
- 25. Give an account of Union financial transfers in India. Discuss the nature of allocation of funds between union and state governments.