

B.A ECONOMICS (HONOURS)

QUESTION BANK

Semester I

Paper 1: Fundamentals of Social Sciences

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the methods and approaches commonly used in Social Sciences.
2. Define Psychology and explain its nature and scope.
3. Explore the different types of history, such as political, cultural, economic, and social history.
4. Explain the differences between microeconomics and macroeconomics with examples.
5. Describe the milestones of computer evolution and their significance.

5 Short Questions

1. What is the primary focus of Social Science?
2. Differentiate between natural science and social science.
3. Define microeconomics.
4. What is the role of a firewall in network security?
5. Define "malware."

Paper 2: Perspectives on Indian Society

5 Essay Questions

1. Analyze the impact of human nature on interpersonal relationships.
2. Explore key events and personalities that played a crucial role in the freedom struggle.
3. Discuss the philosophical foundations of the Indian Constitution.
4. Evaluate the role of financial institutions like RBI in India's economic development.
5. Explore the role of computers and social networking in society.

5 Short Questions

1. How can social influence shape individual choices?
 2. Name a UNESCO World Heritage Site in India.
 3. What is the purpose of data analysis in social sciences?
 4. What is Yoga in the context of Indian heritage?
 5. Name three social media platforms.
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Semester II

Paper 3: Microeconomics

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the scope and importance of Microeconomics.
2. Explain the Law of Demand with exceptions.
3. Discuss the Cobb-Douglas production function.
4. Critically examine price and output determination under Perfect Competition.
5. Briefly explain Ricardian Theory of Rent.

5 Short Questions

1. Define basic economic problems.
2. What is elasticity of demand?
3. Define budget line.
4. What is quasi rent?
5. Name types of markets.

Paper 4: Mathematical Methods for Economics

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the concept of sets and their applications in economics.
2. Explain the various applications of derivatives in economics.
3. Differentiate between unconstrained and constrained optimization.
4. Explore the applications of linear programming in economics.
5. Explain the concept and applications of matrices in economics.

5 Short Questions

1. Graphical representation of linear and quadratic functions.
 2. Define optimization.
 3. What is the method of Lagrange multipliers?
 4. What is a non-singular matrix?
 5. Define partial derivatives.
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Semester III

Paper 5: Macroeconomics

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the scope and importance of Macroeconomics.
2. Briefly explain the Keynesian Theory of Employment.
3. Critically examine the Fisher Quantity Theory of Money.
4. Explain the types of Inflation.
5. Describe types of financial markets.

5 Short Questions

1. Define per capita income.
2. Explain Say's Law of Market.
3. Name the monetary policy tools.
4. What is the Phillips Curve?
5. Define Fiscal Policy.

Paper 6: Economic Thought and Political Economy

5 Essay Questions

1. Discuss the main ideas of the Physiocrats.
2. Explain Karl Marx's critique of capitalism.
3. Compare Alfred Marshall and Vilfredo Pareto's theories.
4. Discuss the economic ideas of Dadabhai Naoroji and R.C. Dutt.
5. Explain the nexus between politics and economy.

5 Short Questions

1. Who was the main proponent of Utilitarianism?
2. What is bounded rationality?
3. Who developed the theory of Pareto Efficiency?
4. Name a contribution of Herbert Simon.
5. Define economic nationalism.

Paper 7: Development Economics

5 Essay Questions

1. Differentiate between economic growth and development.
2. Explain the causes of unemployment.
3. Critically evaluate the Harrod-Domar model.
4. Discuss the Balanced Growth Theory.
5. Explain the role of international institutions in economic development.

5 Short Questions

1. Define sustainable development.
2. Explain vicious circles of poverty.
3. State Mahalanobis strategy.
4. Name an institution that supports economic development.
5. Define human capital.

Semester IV

Paper 8: India and A.P. Economy

5 Essay Questions

1. Analyze the structure and trends of India's economy since independence.
2. Discuss the causes and impact of poverty and unemployment in India.
3. Explain the agricultural development programs and their role in Indian economy.
4. Evaluate the industrial policy initiatives taken by the Government of India.
5. Examine the role of Andhra Pradesh's economy in India's overall economic development.

5 Short Questions

1. Define poverty line.
2. What is Green Revolution?
3. Name two major industries in Andhra Pradesh.
4. What is economic liberalization?
5. State two features of India's economy post-1991 reforms.

Paper 9: Statistical Methods for Economics

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the importance and applications of statistics in economics.
2. Describe the different methods of data collection.
3. Discuss the measures of central tendency with examples.
4. Explain correlation and regression analysis.
5. Elaborate on the uses of index numbers in economic analysis.

5 Short Questions

1. Define primary data.
 2. What is mode?
 3. Define correlation.
 4. What is a time series?
 5. Give two uses of index numbers.
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Paper 10: International Economics

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the classical theory of international trade.
2. Discuss the impact of globalization on developing economies.
3. Explain different types of exchange rate systems.
4. Critically examine the role of WTO in promoting world trade.
5. Discuss the causes and effects of balance of payments disequilibrium.

5 Short Questions

1. Define foreign trade.
 2. What is balance of trade?
 3. Name two international financial institutions.
 4. What is meant by free trade?
 5. Define dumping.
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Semester V

Paper 11: Banking and Financial Services

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the role and functions of commercial banks.
2. Describe the recent trends in banking technology.
3. Analyze the structure and functions of the Reserve Bank of India.
4. Discuss the concept and importance of financial inclusion.
5. Explain different types of financial services offered by banks.

5 Short Questions

1. Define commercial bank.
2. What is mobile banking?
3. Mention two functions of RBI.
4. What is NEFT?
5. Define financial literacy.

Paper 12: Insurance Services

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the principles of insurance.
2. Discuss the role of insurance in economic development.
3. Differentiate between life insurance and general insurance.
4. Describe various types of insurance policies.
5. Explain the role of IRDAI in regulating the insurance sector.

5 Short Questions

1. Define insurance.
2. What is meant by premium?
3. Expand IRDAI.
4. What is health insurance?
5. Name two types of general insurance.

Paper 13A: Urban Entrepreneurship and MSMEs (Choice Paper)

5 Essay Questions

1. Define entrepreneurship and explain its importance in urban development.
2. Discuss the role and contribution of MSMEs in Indian economy.
3. Analyze the challenges faced by urban entrepreneurs.
4. Explain government initiatives supporting MSMEs.
5. Describe the role of innovation in promoting entrepreneurship.

5 Short Questions

1. Define MSME.
 2. What is start-up India scheme?
 3. Name two characteristics of entrepreneurs.
 4. Define innovation.
 5. Mention two problems of MSMEs.
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Paper 13B: Retail and Digital Marketing

5 Essay Questions

1. Explain the concept of retail marketing.
2. Discuss the impact of e-commerce on traditional retail business.
3. Describe various digital marketing tools.
4. Analyze the challenges in digital marketing.
5. Examine the role of social media in retail promotion.

5 Short Questions

1. Define e-commerce.
2. What is SEO?
3. Name two types of digital advertising.
4. What is online retailing?
5. Expand CRM.