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ECN 4023 Economic Development and Planning

Answer all Question's

Time: 03 Hours

1)

- a. "Development Economics is concerned with Economic, social, Political and Institutional mechanism which are necessary to bring improvements in the levels of living of the people of LDCs. Discuss. (08 Marks)
- b. What are the three core values of Development? (04 Marks)
- c. Briefly explain Sen's Capabilities Approach in defining the term
 "Development". (08 Marks)

[Total 20 marks]

2)

- a. Developing countries are charecterised by relatively low levels of labour productivity.
 - (i) State some reasons for the low levels of labour productivity. (04 Marks)
 - (ii) What steps can be taken by the LDCs governments in increasing the labour

 Productivity. (04 Marks)
- b. With examples explain some major factors differentiating one developing nation from another. (12 Marks)

 [Total 20 Marks]

- a. Explain the main conditions that are required for an economy to Take off.
 (08 Marks)
- b. Indicate the importance of those conditions in the development process of under developed countries. (08 Marks)
- c. Criticize the reality of the Lewis model of unlimited supply of labour. (04 Marks)

[Total 20 Marks]

4)

- a. List out some economic impacts of severe environmental degradation.
 (08 Marks)
- b. Development planners incorporate some form of Environmental Accounting into their policy decisions. Give some examples of Environment Accounting (08 Marks)
- c. Explain how providing of clear property rights and resource ownership contribute to the protection of environment in LDCs. (04 Marks)

[Total 20 Marks]

5)

a. Briefly explain the resource mobilization and allocation argument that justifies the need of development planning in under developed countries.

(04 Marks)

- b. What are the six basic characteristics of Economic Planning (08 Marks)
- c. In most of the Less Developed Countries the results of the Development Planning have been generally disappointing. Explain with reasons.

(08 marks)

[Total 20 Marks]