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## University of Kerala

First Semester FYUGP Degree Examination, December 2025

Discipline Specific Core Course

### ECONOMICS

#### UK1DSCECO105 - Agricultural Economics

Academic Level: 100-199

2025-Admission onwards

Time: 2 Hours(120 Mins)

Max. Marks: 56

Part A.6 Marks:Time 5 Minutes.(Cognitive Level :Remember(RE)/Understand(UN)) Objective Type.1 mark each,  
Answer all questions

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
1	Agricultural Economics primarily deals with  Options : A)Production and distribution of industrial goods B)Allocation of resources in the farm sector C)Foreign trade policies D)Behaviour of capital markets	RE	1
2	Which agency frames agricultural price policy in India?  Options : A)NITI Aayog B)Reserve Bank of India C)Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices D) Food Corporation of India	RE	3
3	Which among the following is an example of institutional source of rural credit?  Options : A)Cooperative banks B)money lenders C)Landlords D)Relatives	UN	2
4	What type of cost does the cost of seed represent in agricultural production?  Options : A)Abandonment cost B)Fixed cost C)Variable cost D)Differential cost	UN	1
5	Which issue is common among marginal farmers?  Options : A)Excess capital B)Limited land and low income C)High technology usage D)Large-scale export	UN	3
6	Food security means:	UN	4

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	Options : A)Availability and accessibility of food to all B)High export of food C)Urban storage systems D)Securing high agricultural wages		

**Part B.10 Marks.Time:20 Minutes (Cognitive Level:Understand(UN)/Apply(AP))Two-three sentences.2 marks each.Answer all questions**

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
7	Describe the need for MSP for agricultural commodities	UN	2
8	Briefly explain the Farm size–Productivity relationship.	UN	2
9	How can farmers benefit from participating in futures markets?	AP	1
10	Analyse the capitalist farming system	AP	3
11	Suppose a developing country invests heavily in irrigation and farm mechanization. How will that influence both agricultural and industrial sectors?	AP	1

**Part C.16 Marks.Time:35 Minutes.(Cognitive Level :Apply(AP)/Analyse(AN))Short Answer.4 marks each, Answer all 4 questions,choosing among options \* within each question**

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
12	A) Suppose you are a farmer expecting that the market price of your crop will fall at harvest. How would you use futures contracts to protect your income OR B) How can production function analysis help a farmer make better input decisions?	AP	4, 2
13	A) Identify the benefits of organic farming OR B) Apply some practical solutions for the issues of small farmers	AP	2, 3
14	A) Analyse the major categories of costs involved in agricultural production.	AN	1, 4

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
	OR B)  Examine the interdependence between agriculture and industry in economic development.		
15	A)  Analyse the relationship between total cost, average cost and marginal cost with respect to agricultural production.  OR B)  Analyze the different sources of agricultural credit & challenges to the rural credit system in India.	AN	2, 3

**Part D.24 Marks.Time: 60 Minutes.(Cognitive Level :Analyse(AN)/Evaluate(EV)/Create(CR)) Long Answer 6 Marks each.Answer all 4 questions choosing among options \* within each question**

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
16	A)  Discuss the important provisions of the Agreement on Agriculture by WTO.  OR B)  Analyze the interdependence between agriculture and industry in a developing economy.	AN	3, 1
17	A)  Explain the advantages and limitations of non-institutional sources of credit.  OR B)  Why is an agricultural price policy necessary in a developing country?	EV	4, 1
18	A)  Determine the role of agricultural growth in reducing rural poverty.  OR B)  Evaluate the effectiveness of traditional farming methods	EV	1, 4
19	A)  What are the specific problems that confront the small and marginal farmers and suggest measures for maintaining their livelihoods?	CR	4, 4

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
	<p>OR</p> <p>B)</p> <p>If you were an agricultural policy planner, what specific remedies would you recommend to support small and marginal farmers in India?</p>		

Model QP