EC 4808 - PUBLIC ECONOMICS II

Date : 02/07/2015
Time : 10:00-01:00

Part – A

Answer any FIVE questions in about 75 words each. (5 x 4 = 20)

1. Distinguish between active and passive fiscal policy.
2. What is fiscal dynamics? How it can be used to explain trade cycles?
3. Distinguish between horizontal and vertical equity in fiscal transfer under federal systems.
4. How is excess burden measured?
5. What is primary deficit? What are the implications of its negative and positive values?
6. Measure forward and backward shifting when ED > ES under perfect competition.
7. Explain MODVAT in India.

Part – B

Answer any FOUR questions in about 300 words each. (4 x 10 = 40)

8. Briefly explain the recommendations of XII Finance Commission.
9. Bring out arguments for and against centralized federal structure.
10. Evaluate the contribution of Agriculture to states tax revenue.
11. What are the obstacles faced by Goods and Services Tax (GST) in India.
12. Explain tax receipts of Tamil Nadu government.
13. What is VAT? Bring out its importance.
14. Assess the excise duty reforms in India in recent years.

Part – B

Answer any TWO questions in about 900 words each. (2 x 20 = 40)

15. Explain the process of shifting and incidence under imperfect competition.
17. Analyze the Union Budget proposals for the year 2013-14.
18. Analyze the significance of Fiscal and Monetary policy coordination with reference to India.

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