

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86
(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2004 – 2005 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE : **EC/MO/AG44**

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2008
BRANCH IV - ECONOMICS
FOURTH SEMESTER

COURSE : **MAJOR – OPTIONAL**
PAPER : **AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS**
TIME : **3 HOURS.** MAX. MARKS : 100

SECTION – A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS:
(10 X 3 = 30)

1. Write the scope of Agricultural Economics.
2. Mention the Boserup's stages of Agricultural development.
3. What is marginal product?
4. Differentiate risk and uncertainty.
5. Define ceiling on land holdings.
6. What are the factors responsible for Green Revolution?
7. What is Mechanization of Agriculture?
8. Bring out the agencies of Agricultural Finance.
9. What are the components of agricultural price policy?
10. Bring out the impact of price changes on the supply of agricultural products.

SECTION – B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 300 WORDS.
(5 X 6 = 30)

11. How does agricultural development help other sectors to grow?
12. Describe the Cobb-Douglas production function.
13. Explain the various types of uncertainty.
14. Explain the features of tenancy reforms.
15. Mention the economic benefits of Green Revolution.
16. Explain the causes of rural unemployment.
17. Bring out the role of Multinationals in Indian agriculture.

SECTION – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS.
(2 X 20 = 40)

18. Describe the Mellor's theory of Agricultural development.
19. Analyse the causes of instability in agriculture.
20. Critically analyse the implementation of Land Reforms in India
21. Describe the measures to eradicate rural poverty.

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