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## **ECONOMICS**

Paper: ECO-3046

(Financial System)

Full Marks: 80

Time: Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

- 1. Answer the following within **50** words each: 5×4=20
  - (a) Discuss the rationale and benefit of demutualization of Stock Exchange.
  - (b) Explain the purpose of Preferential Issue in the Primary Capital Market.
  - (c) Distinguish between primary securities and secondary securities.

(d) What is the amount you need to deposit today if you want to have Rs 5,00,000, 4 years from today grown from a sum deposited in an account that pays 6% interest compounded monthly?

## 2. Answer **any three** within **150** words each: 10×3=30

(a) Discuss the functions of a financial system. Differentiate between a formal and an informal financial system.

8+2=10

(b) Describe how the RBI uses the tools of CRR and the repo rate to control inflation in the economy. What is meant by flexible inflation targeting?

8+2=10

- (c) Explain why equities are more difficult to value than debt. Illustrate how Growth Stocks are valued. 2+8=10
- (d) Describe the risks that financial derivatives seek to eliminate. Distinguish between Forwards and Futures. 5+5=10
- (e) Explain the Book Building Process. In this context rationalize the concept of Green Shoe Option. 7+3=10

- 3. Answer **any two** of the following:  $15 \times 2 = 30$ 
  - (a) What is the benefit of Mutual Funds?

    Discuss the various types of Mutal

    Funds in terms of their classification.

    5+10=15
  - (b) What is meant by NPA? Discuss the various bank monitoring measures undertaken by regulators to prevent bank failures. 3+12=15
  - (c) (A) An individual has Rs 80,000 to invest today, and in 5 years would like the investment to be worth Rs 1,60,000. What interest rate would satisfy the individual's goal?
    - (B) An individual wants to deposit Rs 25,000 in 1 year, Rs 30,000 in 2 years, and Rs 35,000 in 3 years. If the interest earned is 8%, then
      - (i) what is the value of the investments today?
      - (ii) what will be the balance in the account after 4 years? 5+5=10