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**Master's Degree Examination – November 2017
Semester - III**

Class: II PG
Major: Economics

Time: 3 hours
Max. Marks: 60

12MECC20 Readings in Economics (Self Study)

Part – A

[10 x ½ = 5]

Choose the correct answer

1. Employment is a relationship between
a) two parties
b) only one individual
c) three parties
d) none of these
2. Employment is typically governed by
a) employment laws
b) regulations
c) legal contracts
d) all the above
3. Technology is often a consequence of
a) development in human being
b) development in science and engineering
c) development in finance
d) development in industry
4. Inequality can be measured in terms of
a) GDP
b) average country's income
c) average per capita expenditure
d) earning of people
5. Global inequality refers to inequality between
a) countries
b) two countries
c) world citizens
d) many countries
6. A resource is a source from which
a) benefit is produced
b) nothing is produced
c) employment is generated
d) all the above
7. Minerals and metal ores are the examples of
a) renewable energy
b) non-renewable energy
c) both a & b
d) none of these
8. Amartya Sen has made contributions to
a) welfare economics
b) social choice theory
c) economic and social justice
d) all the above
9. The contribution of Amartya Sen and Jean Drèze Omnibus are
a) comprising poverty and famines
b) hunger and public action
c) economic development and social opportunity
d) all the above
10. Sen's most of the research focuses on
a) South Asia and Africa
b) India
c) South America,
d) Srilanka

Part – B **[5 x 4 = 20]**
Answer ALL Questions
Answer should not exceed 200 words or one page

- 11.a] Discuss the problems of unemployment in India
[or]
11.b] What are the implications of technology?
- 12.a] State the distinction between equality and utility?
[or]
12.b] Discuss the concept of equality versus liberty
- 13.a] What is capability approach?
[or]
13.b] Discuss utility-based assessment
- 14.a] What are the causes of hunger?
[or]
14.b] Discuss the role of public action in alleviation of hunger.
- 15.a] “Freedom is central to the process of development”- Discuss
[or]
15.b] What are the different forms of unfreedom?

Part – C **[5 x 7 = 35]**
Answer ALL questions
Answer should not exceed 600 words or three pages

- 16.a] Explain the public schemes for employment expansion in India
[or]
16.b] Discuss various institutional factors which affect policy-making
- 17.a] Explain the concept of impartiality and equality
[or]
17.b] Discuss the need for equality
- 18.a] Write an essay on “utilitarian calculus versus objective deprivation”.
[or]
18.b] Discuss the ambiguities, precision and relevance of values.
- 19.a] “Economic liberalisation is essential for India” – Discuss
[or]
19.b] Explain the central theme of Sen-Dreze Omnibus
- 20.a] Explain the role of women in development
[or]
20.b] Discuss different types of freedom.
