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POST-GRADUATE COURSE

Term End Examination — June, 2022/December, 2022 ECONOMICS

Paper-I: HISTORY OF ECONOMIC THOUGHT

Time: 2 hours [Full Marks: 50

Weightage of Marks: 80%

Special credit will be given for precise and correct answer. Marks will be deducted for spelling mistakes, untidiness and illegible handwriting.

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Use of scientific calculator is strictly prohibited.

- 1. Answer any *four* of the following questions :
- $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 10$

- a) What is invisible hand?
- b) How is rent defined by Ricardo?
- c) What is socialism?
- d) What is surplus value, according to Marx?
- e) What is Engel's law?
- f) Distinguish between partial equilibrium and general equilibrium.
- 2. Answer any *four* of the following questions :

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

- a) Distinguish between Mercantilist foreign trade policy and Adam Smith's foreign trade policy.
- b) State Malthus' major arguments in favour of Corn Law.
- c) Describe Marx's theory of falling tendency of the rate of profit.
- d) How did Karl Menger resolve the diamond-water paradox?

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- e) How did Keynes differ from the classical economists in the context of labour market?
- f) How did Hicks separate price effect into income effect and substitution effect?
- 3. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

 $10 \times 2 = 20$

- a) Explain the theory of comparative advantage as the basis for international trade.
- b) Critically examine the Marxian Labour theory of value.
- c) Discuss partial equilibrium theory, following Marshall.
- d) Discuss how the IS and LM curves together simultaneously determine the equilibrium rate of interest and the equilibrium level of income.