

**BA SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION, 2023**  
**(3<sup>rd</sup> Year, 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester)**  
**ECONOMICS (HONOURS)**  
**INDIAN ECONOMY BI**

Time: Two Hours

Full Marks: 30

*Answer Question no. 1 and any four from the rest*

1. Why is it said that the advantage of the second stage of age structure transition is mainly relative in nature? Do you think that the population growth trends in India support this argument of relative advantage? Give reasons for your answer.

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2. Discuss the trends in economic inequality in India during 1993 to 2010.

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3. (a) Distinguish between the following measures of labour force used in India

- i. Usual Principal Status (UPS)
- ii. Usual Principal and Subsidiary Status (UPSS)
- iii. Current Weekly Status (CWS)
- iv. Current Daily Status (CDS)

(b) Why are the CDS unemployment rates greater than the CWS unemployment rates?

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4. Evaluate India's development strategy during the first phase of economic planning spanning over the first three Five Year Plan periods.

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5. Why are the poverty estimates obtained from the 55<sup>th</sup>- and 50<sup>th</sup> -Rounds of National Sample Survey not directly comparable? Could you suggest any suitable adjustment to the 55<sup>th</sup>-Round estimates to achieve such comparability?

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6. Discuss the main features of industrial and trade policy reforms introduced in India during 1990s.

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7. Analyse the progress of India in terms of common indicators of health and education in comparison to other South Asian countries during 1990 to 2011.

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