H.P.BOARD OF DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION OF OTHER GAZETTED OFFICERS/ OFFICIALS (NON- TECHNICAL) OF HIMACHAL PRADESH SESSION, MAY-JUNE, 2009

PAPER-4 (RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT)

Time Allowed: 3 Hours. Maximum Marks: 100

Note: - 1. Attempt any five questions.

- 2. All questions carry equal marks.
- Q.No.1 Describe the main features of National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA). What processes are required to be completed before providing the Employment to the wage seekers under this Act? (20 marks)
- Q.No.II It has been observed that the intended results have not been achieved by Implementing various poverty alleviation programmes in the past. Give the Reasons. What do you suggest to ensure the qualitative implementation of the Swaranjayanti Gram Swarogar Yojna (SGSY)? (20 marks)
- Q.No.III Commitment to transparency and accountability runs throughout the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA). Explain how these aspects are Being ensured while implementing the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme? (20 marks)
- Q.No.IV What are the objectives of watershed development and what benefits are Expected after implementation of watershed development programme in Rural areas? Explain to what extent the watershed development approach has Been able to strengthen rural livelihood base? (20 marks)
- Q.No.V How the goal of sustainable sanitation can be achieved in rural areas? What Strategy is being adopted by the Government to achieve this goal? Whether Any further improvements in the strategy are required? (20 marks)
- Q.No.VI a) How self Help Group Approach is beneficial under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojna (SGSY)? (10 marks)
 - b) How skill development for self employment can be helpful in eradicating the poverty in rural areas? (10 marks)
- Q.No.VII Write short note on any four of the following:-
 - (i) Water harvesting through watershed approach.
 - (ii) Nirmal Gram Purskar.
 - (iii) Matri Shakti Bima Yojna.
 - (iv) Development Plan under NREGA.
 - (v) Online Monitoring and its benefits
 - (vi) Guru Ravidass Civic Amenities Up- gradation Scheme.

(5 + 5 + 5 + 5 = 20 marks)
