

H. P. Departmental Examination, June, 2018

Paper – VII

Planning and Development

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks. No reference Book/material is allowed.

- Q.1. What are Sustainable Development Goals? How are they different from the Million Development Goals? What steps should be taken by the State Govt. to achieve these goals by 2022 in Himachal?
- Q.2. The Govt. of India has replaced the Planning Commission by NITI Aayog. What are the main differences in the functioning of Planning Commission viz a viz the NITI Aayog? Why has the formulation of five year plans discontinued?
- Q.3. How resorting to Organic Farming or Zero Budget Natural Farming operations can help in doubling farmers' income in Himachal Pradesh? What steps have been announced by Hon'ble CM in his budget speech of 2018-19 to promote Zero Budget Natural Farming? Give at least five suggestions to implement it in the State.
- Q.4. Write short notes on any two schemes with suggestions to improve them:
- Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana
 - National Health Mission
 - MGNREGA
 - Digital India
- Q.5. How can the ease of doing business in Himachal help in giving pace to industrialization process? Suggest at least five measures to improve ease of doing business ranking of the State.
- Q.6. What is the status of unemployment in Himachal Pradesh? Why do the unemployment persons in HP, crave for Govt. jobs in place of private jobs? What should be done by the State Govt. to create more job opportunities in the private sector and for self employment in the State?

- Q.7. Examine why cattle milk productivity in Himachal is very low compared to Denmark, Sweden and Switzerland despite the fact that geographical and climatic features of these three countries resemble those of Himachal Pradesh. What steps should be taken in the State to increase the milk production?
- Q.8. Diversification in Horticulture crops will be useful for Farmers in Himachal Pradesh. Do you agree and why? What Horticulture crops do you suggest for Himachal Pradesh other than traditional crops and why? Identify most important interventions required at the level of State and Central Governments to ensure optimum benefits to the Horticulturists for their crops.