

Question Paper Code : 6061

M.Sc. (Ag.) (Semester-I) Examination, 2017

AGRICULTURE EXTENSION

[Fourth Paper]

(Agriculture Marketing and Price Analysis)

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 50

Note : Answer **five** questions in **all**, including question **No.1** which is **compulsory**. Beside this, attempt **one** question from each units.

1. Describe briefly the following : [2x10=20]
- (a) Nature of farm commodities
 - (b) Difference between agricultural and non-agricultural marketing
 - (c) Seasonal nature of agricultural marketing
 - (d) Marketing in national and international markets
 - (e) Agricultural mandis
 - (f) Distress sale of farm commodities

- (g) Buffer stocks
- (h) Forward trading
- (i) Impact of infrastructure on agricultural marketing.
- (j) Incentive price

UNIT-I

2. While elaborating upon the various natures of the farm produce, discuss the significance of agricultural marketing in a developing economy. [8]
3. Discuss the distinction between marketed and marketable surplus of the agricultural produce. Throw light on higher marketed surplus than the marketable surplus. [8]

UNIT-II

4. Who are the key players in agricultural marketing ? How do different agencies affect the farm marketing adversely ? [8]
5. Why is it necessary to develop regulated marketing in India ? Under what circumstances regulated marketing become harmful to the farmers in India ? [8]

UNIT-III

6. Critically examine the functions and significance of cooperative agricultural marketing in India. [7]
7. Write note on the following :
 - (a) Factors affecting marketing efficiency [4]
 - (b) Impact of import policies on commercial crops in India [3]

UNIT-IV

8. Discuss the role of agricultural price policies on price stability and agricultural production in India . [7]
9. Write notes on the following :
 - (a) Speculation and hedging in agricultural marketing [4]
 - (b) Role of agricultural marketing in food security [3]

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