

**Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla-5**  
**Centre for Distance and Online Education**  
**Department of Economics**

**MA (Economics) III Semester**  
**Paper: Agriculture Economics**  
**Course Code-ECON 231 (DSC)**

**Important Instruction:** All the students are required to prepare all three assignments separately. These assignments are compulsory and submit them in a time bound manner, otherwise admit card for the exams will not be generated. A sample of the title page is also attached.

**Assignment – I**

**Maximum Marks – 07**

**Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:**

- Q1. Explain the nature and scope of Agriculture Economics.
- Q2. What is meant by Land Reforms? What were the main objectives and to what extent have these objectives been achieved?
- Q3. Explain the meaning of the term ‘production function’ used in agriculture. Discuss the main characteristics of Cobb-Douglas production function and why it is used in agriculture.
- Q4. Discuss in detail the Fei-Ranis model of agriculture development.

**3.5 × 2 =7**

**Assignment – II**

**Maximum Marks – 07**

**Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:**

- Q1. Explain Schulz’s thesis on Transforming Traditional Agriculture.
- Q2. Discuss Boserup’s model of agricultural development.
- Q3. Critically evaluate the agricultural price policy in India since its independence.
- Q4. Discuss various measures to improve agricultural marketing efficiency.

**3.5 × 2 =7**

**Assignment – III**

**Maximum Marks – 06**

**Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:**

- Q1. Discuss the problems and measures to improve agricultural finance in India.
- Q2. Explain the extent and causes of rural indebtedness in India.
- Q3. Write a detailed note on resource mobilization from the agriculture sector.
- Q4. The agricultural cooperatives still hold relevance to transforming rural India. Discuss with the help of examples.

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