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Sl. No.

## M.A. IV Semester Degree Examination, Sept./Oct. - 2024 ECONOMICS

## **Agricultural Economics**

(NEP)

| Time | e: 3 Hours Maximum Marks:  | 70          |
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| Note | Answer <b>any five</b> of the following question, Each question carries <b>equal</b> marks. Question No.1 is <b>compulsory.</b>                |             |
| 1.   | Describe the nature and scope of agricultural economics, highlighting its importance in the contemporary situation.                            | 14          |
| 2.   | Define cropping pattern. Explain the factors influencing cropping pattern.   | 14          |
| 3.   | Discuss the subdivision and fragmentation of land holdings and their impact on agricultural productivity.                                      | 14          |
| 4.   | Explain the role of NABARD in providing long-term and short-term agricultural finance and supporting rural development.                        | 14          |
| 5.   | Evaluate the agricultural price policy for price stabilization and its effectiveness in protecting farmers' incomes.                           | 14          |
| 6.   | Assess the impact of the Green Revolution on agricultural productivity and the socio-economic conditions of farmers.                           | 14          |
| 7.   | Compare institutional and non-institutional sources of agricultural finance, discussing their advantages and limitations.                      | 14          |
| 8.   | Write short notes on the following:  (a) Water Management Technologies  (b) Defects of Agricultural Marketing in India  (c) Cropping Intensity | 5<br>5<br>4 |

