



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**

B.Sc. Honours 2nd Semester Examination, 2021

**ARDACOR04T-AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (CC4)**

**RURAL INSTITUTIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.  
All symbols are of usual significance.*

1. Answer any **six** questions from the following: 5×6 = 30
  - (a) Classify rural institutions. Give suitable examples.
  - (b) What are the main functions of the Regional Rural Banks? Briefly outline the major problems of the Regional Rural Banks.
  - (c) Write a short note on NABARD.
  - (d) Briefly outline the major features of PMGSY towards infrastructure development.
  - (e) Discuss briefly the role of SHGs in empowering the rural women.
  - (f) Give a brief account of the role of NGOs in rural development with suitable examples.
  - (g) What is the importance of the Community Development Programme in India?
  - (h) Discuss briefly the major challenges for rural development in India.
  - (i) What is the 'Operation Flood' also known as? State the importance of Operation Flood in relation to rural development in India.
  
2. Answer any **one** question from the following: 10×1 = 10
  - (a) What is PRI? Discuss the relationship between the 73<sup>rd</sup> Amendment to the Constitution and the PRI in India. 3+7
  - (b) What is MGNREGA? State its salient features. Discuss briefly the role of MGNREGA in alleviating rural poverty. 2+4+4

**N.B. :** *Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.*

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