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Course: Introduction to Agricultural Economics (7908)

Semester: Autumn, 2026

Level : BS Agricultural Extension / BS Rural Development

Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments. (AD, BS, BEd, MA/MSc, MEd) (ODL Mode).

1. All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks, but within a question the marks are distributed according to its requirements.
2. Read the question carefully and then answer it according to the requirements of the question.
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4. Handwritten scanned assignments are not acceptable.
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ASSIGNMENT No. 1

(Unit 1-5)

Total Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 50

Note: Attempt all questions. Each question carries equal marks.

- Q.1** Differentiate between economics and agricultural economics. Discuss the duties of an agricultural economist. (20)
- Q.2** Expound the significance of agriculture in employment generation, food security, and economic growth. (20)
- Q.3** What is an indifference curve? Describe its properties and significance in consumer choice analysis. (20)
- Q.4** What is consumer surplus? How is it measured and why is it important in economic analysis? (20)
- Q.5** Expound the laws of returns and their significance in agricultural production. (20)

ASSIGNMENT No. 2

(Unit 6-9)

Total Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 40

Note: Attempt all questions. Each question carries equal marks.

- Q.1** Discuss the impact of land reforms on agricultural productivity in Pakistan. (20)
- Q.2** Explain the factors responsible for an increase or decrease in the supply of agricultural commodities. (20)
- Q.3** What is a production function? Discuss its role in agricultural planning and resource allocation. (20)
- Q.4** Discuss major macroeconomic challenges facing Pakistan's agricultural sector and suggest policy measures to address them. (20)
- Q.5** Explain the concept of inflation and analyze its effects on farmers, consumers, and the agricultural sector. (20)