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Semester: Autumn, 2012 **Course: Introduction to Macroeconomics (802)** Level: M. Sc. Economics **Total Marks: 100 Credit Hours: 03** Pass Marks: 40

ASSIGNMENT No. 1

(Units 1–5)

Q. 1 Discuss the macroeconomic goals and problems of society. (20)Q. 2 Explain the following concepts with examples: (20)Average Propensity to Consume (APC) a) Marginal Propensity to Consume (MPC) b) Average Propensity to Save (APS) c) Marginal Propensity to Save (MPS) d) The Multiplier e) Q. 3 Explain how to derive an aggregate supply curve assuming that money wages are: (20)Flexible a) Rigid b) Rigid downward and flexible upward c) Q. 4 Explain the process of deposit expansion and deposit contraction in detail. (20)Q. 5 What is liquidity trap? If the economy is stuck in one, would you advice the use of monetary or fiscal policy? (20)

ASSIGNMENT No. 2

Total Marks: 100 (Units 6–9) Pass Marks: 40

Q. 1 Differentiate between MEC and MEI in detail.

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- Q. 2 What are the similarities between the life-cycle and the permanent-income hypothesis? Do they differ, in their approaches to explaining why the long-run MPC is greater than the short-run MPC? (20)
- Q. 3 Explain Solow's steady-state growth model of economic growth with population growth and technological growth. (20)
- Q. 4 If money wages are increasing more rapidly than productivity. Does this necessarily imply that the wage inflation is wage-push inflation? Why? Why not? (20)
- Q. 5 Write notes on the following:

(10+10)

- a) Short Run Phillips Curve
- b) Consumer Price Index (CPI)
