

Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla – 05

Centre for Distance and Online Education

Department of Economics

MA (Economics) I Semester

Paper: Labour Economics

Course Code-ECON 114 (DSC)

Last Date of Submission: April 30, 2026

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. Define Labour Economics. What are the characteristics of labour markets in developing economies?
- Q2. Discuss the supply of labour. What are the causes of a backward-sloping supply curve?
- Q3. What is unemployment? What are the measures and key indicators of unemployment?
- Q4. Critically examine the subsistence theory of wages.

3.5 × 2 =7

Assignment – II

Maximum Marks – 07

Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:

- Q1. Critically examine the marginal productivity theory of wages.
- Q2. Define minimum wage. What are the various concepts of minimum wages?
- Q3. Define Industrial Dispute. What are the methods of settlement of industrial disputes?
- Q4. Discuss The Trade Unions Act. What are the rights and liabilities of registered trade unions?

3.5 × 2 =7

Assignment – III

Maximum Marks – 06

Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:

- Q1. Critically examine the impact of the new labour codes on employment practices and social security in the organized and unorganized sectors.
- Q2. Evaluate the recent employment policies in India.
- Q3. Define Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948. What are the benefits an insured person is entitled to under this Act?
- Q4. Define social security. Discuss the social security schemes implemented in India for the socio-economic upliftment of labourers.

3 × 2 =6

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