Summer Examinations 2015

ECN300215N

Module Title: The Political Economy of China
Level: Six
Time Allowed: Two hours

Instructions to students:
- Enter your student number not your name on all answer books.
- Answer three out of eight questions
- All questions are equally weighted.
- Begin each answer in a separate book; label each answer book clearly with the number of the question you are answering.

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Answer **three** out of **eight** questions

1. ‘Perestroyka without glasnost’. Critically assess whether this is an accurate reflection of China’s transition to a market economy.

2. Examine the key challenges to China’s development in the next decade.

3. Assess the impact of Tiananmen Massacre on China’s development trajectory.

4. ‘The time has now come to abolish the one child policy once and for all’. Discuss.

5. To what extent are we seeing the emergence of a Beijing Consensus? Explain your answer.

6. Evaluate the argument that ‘many of the programmes of Mao Zedong led to tragedies, but they were “tragedies of good intentions”’ (Bramall, 2009).

7. What are the key principles of Chinese foreign policy? Do you consider China to be currently playing a positive role in international affairs?

8. Discuss the implications of Chinese surging investment to the world economy.

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