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First Degree Programme Under CBCSS

Economics

Core Course — I

EC 1141 — INTRODUCTORY MICRO ECONOMICS

(2020 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

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SECTION - I

Answer **all** questions. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

- 1. Opportunity Cost.
- 2. Utility.
- 3. Price Elasticity.
- 4. Ordinalism.
- 5. Complements.
- 6. Producer's Surplus.
- 7. Variable Costs.

- 8. Bilateral Monopoly.
- 9. Returns to Scale.
- 10. Price Discrimination.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

SECTION – II

Answer any **eight** questions not exceeding 1 paragraph. **Each** question carries **2** marks.

- 11. What are the basic problems of an economy?
- 12. Mention productive efficiency.
- 13. Define indifference map.
- 14. What is MRTS?
- 15. Explain budget line.
- 16. Mention perfectly inelastic demand.
- 17. What are giffen goods?
- 18. Mention long-run production function.
- 19. What do you mean by diseconomies of scale?
- 20. What is explicit cost?
- 21. Mention product homogeneity.
- 22. What is non-price competition?

- 23. Explain 'take-it or leave-it price discrimination'.
- 24. What are cartels?
- 25. Define selling cost.
- 26. Explain excess capacity of firms.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION - III

Answer any **six** questions not exceeding 120 words. **Each** question carries **4** marks.

- 27. Explain the production possibilities frontier.
- 28. Explain income elasticity of demand and its usefulness.
- 29. What are the basic properties of iso-quants?
- 30. Examine the theoretical differences between income consumption curves and Engel curves.
- 31. Explain substitution effect.
- 32. Distinguish between normal and inferior goods.
- 33. Mention the least-cost criterion.
- 34. Examine the nature of AR and MR under perfect competition.
- 35. Explain pure competition.
- 36. What are ridge lines?
- 37. Explain price leadership.
- 38. Mention the case and measures of monopoly power.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

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SECTION - IV

Answer any **two** questions not exceeding 4 pages. **Each** question carries **15** marks.

- 39. Explain price elasticity of demand and its different types.
- 40. Discuss consumer's equilibrium by using indifference curves.
- 41. Examine market equilibrium and its implications.
- 42. Explain production function and the laws of returns to scale.
- 43. Explain the price and output determination under monopolistic competition.
- 44. Discuss the basic characteristics and the issue of indeterminate pricing under oligopoly.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)