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# Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April 2022

#### First Degree Programme under CBCSS

#### Economics

## **Elective Course**

## EC 1661.2 – MATHEMATICAL ECONOMICS

#### (2019 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

#### SECTION - I

Answer **all** questions in **one** word to maximum of **two** sentences. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

- 1. Distinguish between Implicit and explicit function.
- 2. What is Polynomial function?
- 3. Distinguish between linear function and non-linear function.
- 4. Explain the idea of Production function.
- 5. What is market equilibrium?
- 6. Explain Delphi method
- 7. Write the form of Cobb-Douglas production function.
- 8. What is convexity?

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- 9. What is producer's surplus?
- 10. What is general equilibrium?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

#### SECTION - II

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

- 11. Describe the algebraic function.
- 12. Describe the characteristics of perfect competition.
- 13. Distinguish between cardinal utility and ordinal utility.
- 14. Describe Marginal rate of technical substitution.
- 15. What is optimization?
- 16. Write a short note on Consumer's Surplus.
- 17. Describe various types of functions.
- 18. Write a short note on static equilibrium.
- 19. What is Logarithmic function?
- 20. Write a short note on short run production function.
- 21. Write a short note on isocost line.
- 22. What is economic model?
- 23. Explain the concept of Substitution effect.

- 24. What is consumer's equilibrium?
- 25. Explain the main ingredients of mathematical economics.
- 26. Differentiate  $x^5 + ex$ .

#### SECTION - III

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$ 

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

- 27. Describe the important rules of partial differentiation.
- 28. Explain discriminating monopoly.
- 29. Explain the conditions for profit maximization.
- 30. Find the maxima and minima values of  $Z = f(x, y) = 8x^3 + 2xy 3x^2 + y^2 + 1$ .
- 31. Derive the MR function for the demand function q = 400 0.1p.
- 32. Explain the significance of Lagrange multiplier.
- 33. Explain various methods of demand forecasting.
- 34. Explain consumer's equilibrium in a mathematical version
- 35. Discuss the marginal concepts in economic analysis.
- 36. Find the  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  in the given  $y = f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 + 2x_1x_2^2 + 3x_2^3$ .
- 37. Briefly explain the uses of derivatives in Economics.
- 38. Given the supply function  $P = (Q+3)^2$ , find the producer's surplus PS at  $P_0 = 81$  and  $Q_0 = 6$ .

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

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#### SECTION – IV

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

- 39. Discuss the derivation of cost function from a production function.
- 40. Write a short note on Linear Programming.
- 41. A firm produces two goods, with output levels  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  and faces the total cost function.  $TC = 45 + 125q_1 + 84q_2 + 6q_1^2q_2^2 + 0.8q_1^3 + 1.2q_2^3$ . What are the two relevant marginal cost functions?
- 42. Maximise  $y = x_1x_2 + 2x_1$  subject to  $x_1 + 2x_2 = 20$ . Solve the equations with Lagrange multiplier method.
- 43. Briefly explain the relationship between TC, AC and MC curves graphically.
- 44. Explain Slutsky version of decomposition of income and substitution effects

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)