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First Semester B.A. Degree Examination, March 2023 First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Economics

Core Course I

EC 1141: INTRODUCTORY MICRO ECONOMICS

(2019 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

SECTION - I

Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. Expansion path
- 2. Duopoly
- 3. Consumers Equilibrium
- 4. Marginal product
- 5. Price taker
- 6. Price leadership
- 7. Returns to a factor
- 8. Price discrimination
- 9. Budget line
- 10. Cross elasticity of demand

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - II

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

- 11. Explain Shut down point.
- 12. Distinguish between Monopsony and bilateral monopoly.
- 13. Examine the MC MR Approach to analyse firms equilibrium.
- 14. Define Selling cost.
- 15. What is meant by Market demand for a commodity?
- 16. Discuss LAC as Planning curve.
- 17. Describe the shape of AR and MR curve under monopoly.
- 18. What is meant by The feasible set.
- 19. Differentiate between Income and substitution effect.
- 20. Comment on Shifts in demand.
- 21. Discuss about the Monopoly power.
- 22. Define Law of supply.

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

SECTION - III

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

- 23. Discuss the decision making problem under scarcity.
- 24. Examine the slope of a budget line.
- 25. Define consumer surplus and explain Marshailian method of measuring consumer surplus.

- 26. Describe the features of oligopoly market and what is meant by collusive oligopoly.
- 27. Explain different degrees of price discrimination.
- 28. Define isoquants. What are its properties?
- Make a short note on elasticity of supply.
- 30. In Revealed Preference Theory Choice reveals preference Substantiate the statement.
- 31. Define technological progress and distinguish between capital deepening, labour deepening and neutral technical progress.

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

SECTION - IV

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

- Discuss the model of perfect competition with special emphasis on short run and long run equilibrium of the firm and industry.
- 33. Critically examine the law of variable proportions and laws of returns to scale.
- 34. Make a short note on non-Collusive oligopoly and critically examine the Kinked demand curve hypothesis as model of price rigidity in oligopoly market.
- 35. Examine the different degrees of price elasticity of demand and methods of measuring price elasticity of demand.
 (2 x 15 = 30 Marks)