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Second Semester B.A. Degree Examination, May 2019

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Economics

Core Course II

EC 1241: MICRO ECONOMICS I

(2015 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

SECTION - I

Answer in one or two sentences. Attempt all questions

- 1. Opportunity cost
- 2. Indifference curve
- 3. Production function
- 4. Engel curve
- 5. Mixed economy
- 6. Law of supply
- 7. Income effect
- 8. Cross elasticity of demand
- 9. Price mechanism
- 10. Marginal cost

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

SECTION - II

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

- 11. Explain Production possibility curve.
- 12. State law of demand.
- 13. Define consumer surplus.
- 14. What do you mean by economies of scale.
- 15. Write a note on Cobb- Douglas Production function.
- Explain producer's equilibrium.
- 17. Explain price elasticity of demand.
- 18. Explain Iso-cost line.
- 19. Why are the AVC and ATC curves 'U' shaped.
- 20. What is meant by Demand forecasting.
- 21. Why Indifference curves are Convex to the origin.
- 22. Distinguish between Micro Economics and Macro Economics.

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

SECTION - III

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

- State and explain the law of diminishing marginal utility.
- 24. What are the properties of Isoquant.
- 25. Explain Revealed Preference theory.

- 26. Explain different methods of Demand forecasting.
- 27. Explain Giffen Paradox.
- 28. Briefly explain the nature and scope of Micro economics.
- 29. Elucidate the traditional theory cost
- 30. Briefly explain the law of returns to scale.
- 31. Why does demand curve slopes downward?

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

SECTION - IV

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

- 32. Distinguish between Hicks and Slutsky approach to the measurement of income and substitution effect.
- 33. State and explain the Law of variable proportion. Which is the best stage in this law and why?
- 34. Critically examine the ordinal utility theory of consumer behaviour.
- 35. Explain the different methods of measuring price elasticity of demand.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$