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## **BUSINESS ECONOMICS**

Paper: 1.2

Full Marks: 80

Time: Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. (a) Answer the following:

 $1 \times 5 = 5$ 

- (i) What is the root cause of economic problems?
- (ii) What is decision making?
- (iii) Define profit.
- (iv) What is shut-down point?
- (v) What is demand forecasting?

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- (b) Choose the correct answer:  $1 \times 5 = 5$ 
  - (i) All of the following are the determinants of demand except
    - (a) taste and preferences
    - (b) quantity supplied
    - (c) income
    - (d) prices of related goods.
  - (ii) A firm's average fixed cost is Rs. 20 at 6 units of output. At 4 units of output it will be
    - (a) Rs. 60
    - (b) Rs. 24
    - (c) Rs. 30
    - (d) Rs. 20
  - (iii) The positively sloped part of the long run average cost curve is due to which of the following
    - (a) Diseconomics of scale
    - (b) Diminishing return
    - (c) The increase in productivity that results from specialisation.
    - (d) The firm being able to take advantage of large scale production.

- (iv) In the case of substitute goods the cross elasticity of demand is
  - (a) positive
  - (b) negative
  - (c) zero
  - (d) infinite
- (v) What is not the characteristic of Isoquants
  - (a) slopes downwards
  - (b) convex to the origin
  - (c) touches both X and Y axis
  - (d) two isoquants never intersect each other.

Answer in brief:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

- (1) Mention two features of business economics.
- (ii) What is production function?
- (iii) What is equilibrium level of output?
- (1v) Point out two determinants of elasticity of demand.

- (v) What are the different phases of tradecycle?
- 3. Answer *any five* questions from the following:  $4 \times 5 = 20$ 
  - (i) Discuss briefly the responsibilities of business economist.
  - (ii) What is least-cost combination? Explain briefly.
  - (iii) What are the possibilities and profitability of discriminating monopoly?
  - (iv) Explain the scope of business economics.
  - (v) Discuss the different methods of demand forecasting.
  - (vi) Explain the concept of opportunity cost.
  - (vii) Discuss the basic features of monopoly.
- 4. Business Economics is the integration of economic theories with business practices. Explain.

Or

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What is Business Economics? How does it differ from traditional economics? 3+5=8

What are the different types of elasticity of demand? State the importance of the study of elasticity of demand in Business Economics.

4+4=8

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Discuss the Laws of Returns to scale.

Or

Discuss the long-run cost output relation. 8

What are the characteristics of Monopolistic competition? Discuss the price and output determination process under monopolistic competition.

3+5=8

What are the features of Profit? Distinguish economic profit and accounting profit. 4+4=8

Or

Discuss the different profit policies to be followed by the public enterprises.