M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2019

SEMESTER 1: ECONOMICS (CORE COURSE)

COURSE: 16P1ECOT05 – QUANTITATIVE TOOLS FOR ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

(For Regular - 2019 Admission and Supplementary 2018 / 2017 / 2016 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max Mark: 75

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

PART - A

Answer any *eight* questions. Each question carries 2 marks

- 1. Define minor of a matrix with the help of an example.
- 2. What do you mean by rank of a matrix?
- 3. What do you mean by a inverse of a matrix?
- 4. Mention the properties of Cobb-Douglas production function.
- 5. Define marginal elasticity of demand.
- 6. What are the conditions for a function f(x,y) to be a maximum?
- 7. How will you obtain the total utility function from the marginal utility function?
- 8. What is cost function?
- 9. What is Simpson's one-third rule?
- 10. How will you obtain an optimum solution of a linear programming using graphical method?
- 11. When will you consider dual of LPP?
- 12. Mention the objectives of input/ output analysis.

PART - B

Answer any Seven questions. Each question carries 5 marks

13. If
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 5 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, then verify whether $A^2 - B^2 = (A-B)(A+B)$.

14. If
$$\begin{vmatrix} -3 & -6 & 1 \\ 5 & x & -2 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$
 = -7 then find the value of x.

- 15. Explain the significance of Euler's theorem with the help of an example of a homogeneous production function.
- 16. The revenue function of a firm is given by $f(x,y) = 4 x y + x y^2$. Find the marginal revenue functions and also show that $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$
- 17. Obtain marginal rate of substitution if the utility function is $U(x,y)=5xy^2-2xy+2y^3$.

 $(5 \times 7 = 35)$

- 18. Maximise the profit if the profit function of a firm is $P(x) = x^2 + xy + 2y^2 800$ subject to the Production quota x + y = 100
- 19. Integrate the following functions

(i) (x +1)³ (ii) x log x

- 20. Explain trpezoidal rule.
- 21. Explain how will you formulate a linear programming problem?
- 22. Describe input/ output (I/O) analysis.

PART - C

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries **12** marks

23. Solve the following system of equations using Cramer's rule.

3x - y + 2z = 132x + y - z = 3x + 3y - 5z = -8

- 24. Explain the various applications of partial derivatives in economics.
- 25. The total cost of x units is y rupees, where y=900x-30 x²+ x³ and all units made are sold at Rs.10 per unit. At what two points does marginal cost equal marginal revenue?
- 26. A manufacturer makes two types of toys A and B. Three machine are needed for this purpose and the time (in minutes) required for each toy on the machines is given below:

Types of Toys	Machines		
	Ι	II	III
А	20	10	10
В	10	20	30

The machines I, II and III are available for a maximum of 180 minutes, 120 minutes and 150 minutes respectively. The profit on each toy of type A is Rs 50, and that of type B is Rs 60. Formulate the above problem as a L.P.P and solve it graphically to maximize profit.

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$
