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**APJ ABDUL KALAM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**

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**Course Code: HS200****Course Name: BUSINESS ECONOMICS**

Max. Marks: 100

Duration: 3 Hours

**PART A***Answer any three questions, each carries 10 marks.*

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| 1 | a) State the law of diminishing marginal utility. State any four limitations of the law.  | (5) |
|   | b) What are the basic economic problems? Explain in brief.  | (5) |
| 2 | a) State five different ways in which business economics is useful to a business man.   | (5) |
|   | b) Explain concepts of equilibrium price and equilibrium quantity with the help of a diagram.   | (5) |
| 3 | a) What are the three types of price elasticities in which value of elasticities are constants? Draw diagrams and explain.  | (6) |
|   | b) Suppose the income of a person is Rs.20000 per month and his demand for a product is 50 units. When his income increases to Rs.25000 he demands 40 units. What is the income elasticity? What type of a product is this? | (4) |
| 4 | a) Examine the law of variable proportion. Explain the three stages of returns with the help of a diagram.  | (6) |
|   | b) Suppose the production function is given as $Q=2K^{1/2}L^{1/2}$ . What will be the output when $K=16$ and $L=36$ ? What is the marginal product of labour when $K=16$ and $L=36$ ?                                       | (4) |

**PART B***Answer any three questions, each carries 10 marks.*

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| 5 | a) Suppose the monthly fixed cost of a firm is Rs. 10000 and its monthly total variable cost is Rs. 15000. a) If the monthly sales is Rs.30000 estimate contribution and break-even sales. b) If the firm wants to get a monthly profit of Rs.10000, what should be the sales? | (6) |
|   | b) What is shutdown point? If $AC > P$ and $AVC < P$ in the short run, will the firm produce or shutdown? Give reason.   | (4) |
| 6 | a) What are the features of oligopoly?   | (6) |
|   | b) What is the difference between demand curve under monopoly and monopolistic competition? Draw the demand curves and explain.  | (4) |

- 7 a) Examine the fiscal and monetary policy measures to control inflation. (10)
- 8 a) Explain the circular flow in a three sector model. (6)
- b) Distinguish between  $NDP_{mp}$  and  $NNP_{fc}$  (4)

## PART C

*Answer any four questions, each carries 10 marks.*

- 9 a) Estimate payback of the following projects. Which project will be selected? Give (6)  
reason. The initial investment on both the projects are Rs.50000 each.

Project A		Project B	
Year	Cashflows	Year	Cashflows
1	10000	1	10000
2	20000	2	15000
3	25000	3	20000
4	20000	4	10000
5	15000	5	5000

- b) Point out any four merits of NPV method. (4)
- 10 a) Examine the four principles by which decisions are taken under uncertainty. (6)
- b) What is a decision tree? Explain the procedure to drawing it. (4)
- 11 a) What are the components of a balance sheet? (6)
- b) Point out any four uses of a balance sheet. (4)
- 12 a) Distinguish between FDI and FPI. (6)
- b) What is sensitivity analysis? (4)
- 13 a) What is direct tax? Point out any four advantages and disadvantages of direct tax. (10)
- 14 a) The data given below shows the sales of a product from 2016 onwards. Develop a (6)  
trend equation and predict the sales for the year 2021.

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sales(units)	50	70	60	80	100

- b) What is test marketing? (4)

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