

Economics

Time allowed: 3 hours**Maximum Marks: 80****General Instructions:**

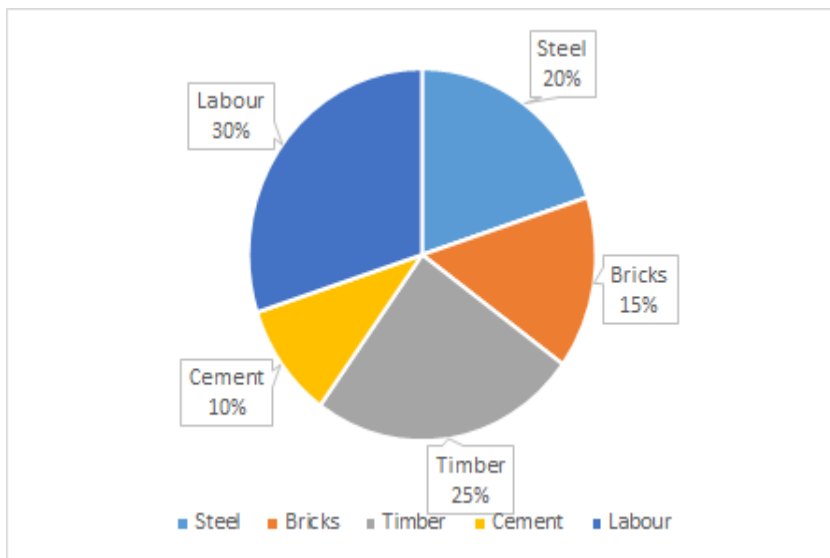
1. This question paper contains two parts:
Part A - Statistics (40 marks)
Part B - Micro Economic (40 marks)
2. Marks for questions are indicated against each question.
3. Question No. 1-7 and Question No. 16 – 22 are 1 mark questions and are to be answered in one word/sentence.
4. Question No. 8-10 and Question No. 23 – 25 are 3 marks questions and are to be answered in 60 - 80 words each.
5. Question No. 11-13 and Question No. 26 – 28 are 4 marks questions and are to be answered in 80-100 words each.
7. Question No. 14-15 and Question No. 29 – 30 are 6 marks questions and are to be answered in 100-150 words each.

Solution

Q	PART - A (STATISTICS)	Marks
1	400 Or Standard deviation	1
2	Economic	1
3	Less than; more than	1
4	Consumer Price Index	1

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7	Census		1															
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9	Meaning of Arithmetic Mean: It is defined as the sum of the values of all observations divided by the number of observations. It is also known as 'Mean' or 'Average' by the common man. It is usually denoted by $\bar{X}$. Formula of Assumed Mean Method: $\bar{X} = A + \frac{\sum fd}{N}$ Here, A = Assumed mean N = Number of observations f = Frequency d = X - A , i.e. deviations of variables taken from assumed mean $\sum fd$ = Sum of the product of frequencies and their respective deviations. OR		3															

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Converting the above data into discrete series, we get

Marks	Tally Bars	Frequency
8	II	2
10	II	2
12	II	2
Mode 14	IIII	Modal frequency 4
16	II	2
18	II	2
20	I	1
	Total	15

Mode = 7 marks,

In discrete series, the mode can be located in two ways:

(i) By Inspection

(ii) By Grouping

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Solution:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum X}{N}$$

$$\sum X = N\bar{x}$$

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	$\bar{X} = 280, N = 40$ $\sum X = 40 \times 280$ $= 11,200$ <i>Calculate $\sum X$, i.e., 11,200 which is wrong as the student misread the item 130 as 180.</i> <i>Let us get correct $\sum X$ by subtracting the incorrect item and adding the correct item to $\sum X$.</i> Incorrect $\sum X = 11,200$ Less: Incorrect item <u>180</u> 11,020 ____ Add: Correct item <u>130</u> ____ Correct $\sum X$ <u>11,150</u> $\frac{11,150}{40} = 278.75$ Hence, corrected arithmetic mean is																			
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Calculation of standard deviation

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Marks	No. of students (f)	Mid-points (m)	fm	m^2	fm^2
0 - 4	8	2	16	4	32
4 - 8	16	6	96	36	576
8 - 12	4	10	40	100	400
12 - 16	2	14	28	196	392
	N = 30		$\sum fm = 180$		$\sum fm^2 = 1,400$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum fm^2}{N} - \left(\frac{\sum fm}{N}\right)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\sum fm^2}{N} - (\bar{X})^2}$$

We get, $N = 30$, $\sum fm = 180$, $\sum fm^2 = 1,400$

Substituting the values

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1,400}{30} - \left(\frac{180}{30}\right)^2}$$

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Construction of Price index numbers

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Commo- dities	Base Year 2017		Current Year 2018		p_0q_0	p_0q_1	p_1q_0	p_1q_1
	Price	Quantity	Price	Quantity				
	p_0	q_0	p_1	q_1				
A	30	50	34	90	1,500	1,020	1,700	3,060
B	26	20	30	40	520	780	600	1,200
C	22	30	22	50	660	484	660	1,100
D	18	10	22	30	180	396	220	660
					$\sum p_0q_0$ = 2,860	$\sum p_0q_1$ = 2,680	$\sum p_1q_0$ = 3,180	$\sum p_1q_1$ = 6,020

(a) Laspeyre's price index number:

$$p_{01} = \frac{\sum p_1q_0}{\sum p_0q_0} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{3,180}{2,860} \times 100 = 111.19$$

(b) Fisher's price index number:

$$p_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\sum p_1q_0}{\sum p_0q_0} \times \frac{\sum p_1q_1}{\sum p_0q_1}}$$

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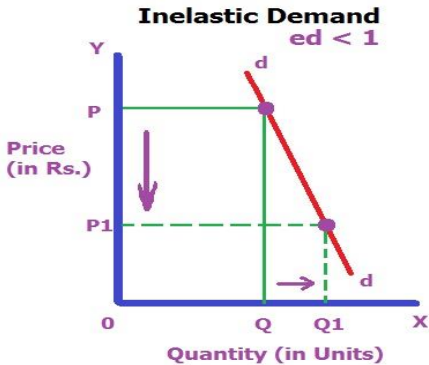
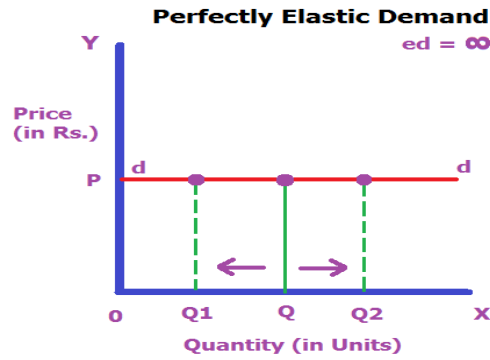
$$= \sqrt{2.498} \times 100$$

$$= 158.04$$

	Microeconomics	
16	Economics	1
17	As there exists perfect knowledge among buyers and sellers. Moreover, due to homogeneous product and uniform price no individual firm will be able to attract customers of other firms.	1
18	Marginal Rate of substitution OR Indifference set	1
19	True	1
20	AR curve is perfectly elastic and thus parallel to the X-axis.	1
21	It means, the price of the commodity remains constant at all levels of output and the demand is perfectly elastic.	1
22	change in demand	1
23	Meaning: It is the cost of the next best alternative forgone. Or we can say that opportunity cost is the cost of the next best alternative sacrificed. Example: Suppose Rohan has three job offers (i) To work in MNC at ₹1,50,000 per month (ii) To work as Branch Manager of Private Bank at ₹1,20,000 per month (iii) To work as Branch Manager in Government Bank at ₹1,10,000 per month. In the given case, Rohan has accepted the offer for the job in MNC. Therefore, his opportunity cost for working in MNC is the cost of the next best alternative forgone, i.e., ₹1,20,000 salary of Branch Manager of Private Bank. OR Meaning: This problem refers to the choice of technique of production. This problem arises when there is availability of more than one way to produce goods and services. Types of technique: There are mainly two techniques of production. These are: (i) Labour Intensive Technique In this technique more of labour and less of Capital (machines) is used for production. (ii) Capital Intensive Technique In this technique more of capital (machines) and less of Labour is used for production.	3
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	(d) Diagram	
27	Relationship Between TP and MP (a) When TP increases at increasing rate, MP increases (b) When TP increases at diminishing rate, MP decreases. (c) When TP reaches at its maximum point and becomes constant, MP becomes zero (d) When TP starts decreasing, MP becomes negative. OR (a) The use of which can be postponed: If it is possible to postpone the consumption of a commodity then demand will be elastic. Example: Like, if our TV has got out of order and the price of new TV has increased. We are expecting that after the budget we'll get a better model at a lower price, we can postpone our demand in present. So, its demand will be elastic. (b) The goods whose substitutes are available: Goods whose substitutes are available like tea(coffee is the substitute of tea), demand for these goods is elastic	4

28	Situation: - This is the situation where the elasticity of demand is inelastic. - Demand for a commodity is said to be inelastic when the percentage change in demand is more than the percentage change in price. Diagram:  The diagram shows a downward-sloping demand curve labeled 'd' on a graph with Price (in Rs.) on the vertical axis and Quantity (in Units) on the horizontal axis. A vertical line at quantity Q intersects the demand curve at price P. A second point on the same demand curve is at quantity Q1 and price P1. A vertical dashed line connects Q1 to P1 on the price axis. A horizontal dashed line connects P to Q1 on the quantity axis. A purple arrow points down from P to P1, and a purple arrow points right from Q to Q1. The text 'Inelastic Demand' and 'ed < 1' is written above the curve. In the given situation demand has increased from OQ to OQ₁ due to fall in price from OP to OP₁. [$Q \% \Delta Q < \% \Delta P$]	4
29	(a) Perfectly elastic demand ($E_d = \infty$): Demand for a commodity is said to be perfectly elastic if there is changes in demand to any extent without any change or with a very little change in price.  The diagram shows a horizontal demand curve labeled 'd' on a graph with Price (in Rs.) on the vertical axis and Quantity (in Units) on the horizontal axis. The price is constant at P. Three points are marked on the horizontal axis at quantities Q1, Q, and Q2. Vertical dashed lines connect these points to the horizontal demand curve. Purple arrows point left from Q to Q1 and right from Q to Q2. The text 'Perfectly Elastic Demand' and 'ed = ∞' is written above the curve. (b) Inelastic demand ($E_d < 1$): Demand for a commodity is said to be inelastic when percentage change in demand is less than percentage change in price.	6

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30	Meaning of law of variable proportion: Law of variable proportions is a concept of short run. This law states, as we combine more and more units of variable factor with the same fixed factors. Total Product initially increases at increasing rate, then at diminishing rate and reaches its maximum level and finally it falls. Law of Variable Proportions Phase -1 Phase of Increasing Returns: Initially when we combine more units of labour with the same amount of capital, TP increases at an increasing rate. In the above diagram this phase operates till 'OL' workers are employed. This phase ends where TP stops increasing at an increasing rate i.e. at the point 'Q', the point of inflexion (where slope of TP changes). Reason—Fuller utilization of fixed factors, Division of labour & specialization. Phase -2 Phase of Diminishing Returns When we further increase the number of workers without changing capital, TP still rises but at diminishing rate. In the above diagram this phase operates between 'L' and 'L1' workers.	6

	This phase ends where TP is maximum and constant at point 'm'. Reason– Factors of production are imperfect substitutes for each other, Ideal the combination of fixed and variable factors is distorted. Phase-3 Phase of Negative Returns Beyond a certain limit if we increase number of workers (units of variable factor) we start getting negative returns i.e., TP starts declining. In the given diagram this phase operates when more than 'L1' are employed with the same fixed factors. Reason–Scarcity of fixed factors, mismanagement.	
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