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2023/TDC(CBCS)/ODD/SEM/ ECOHCC-101T/340

TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2023

ECONOMICS

(Honours)

(1st Semester)

Course No.: ECOHCC-101T

(Introductory Microeconomics)

Full Marks: 70
Pass Marks: 28

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION-A

Answer ten questions, selecting any two from each Unit: 2×10=20

UNIT-I

- 1. Write two differences between planned economy and market economy.
- 2. How do economists define scarcity?
- 3. Give two practical applications of studying economics.

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UNIT-II

- **4.** Write two factors which can shift the supply curve.
- 5. Distinguish between change in supply and change in quantity supplied.
- 6. What is consumer's surplus?

UNIT-III

- 7. Why does an indifference curve slope downward from left to right?
- 8. Write two factors influencing consumer's optimum choice.
- **9.** How does a change in income affect the budget constraint?

UNIT-IV

- 10. Write two main factors that differentiate short-run cost from long-run cost of a firm.
- 11. Why is AR = MR under perfect competition?
- 12. What are the profit maximising conditions of a firm during short-run and long-run?

UNIT-V

- 13. Mention two factors that affect the demand for labour.
- **14.** How can marginal cost be compared to marginal benefit in land market?
- 15. Give two examples of land market.

SECTION—B

Answer *five* questions, selecting *one* from each Unit: 10×5=50

UNIT-I

- 16. Discuss the scope of economics. How does it differ from other social sciences in terms of its subject matter?

 5+5=10
- 17. What are the fundamental economic problems that every society faces? How can economic systems help in solving those economic problems?

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UNIT-II

18. Explain the concept of price elasticity of supply. How is it calculated? Also illustrate different degrees of price elasticity of supply.

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19. Discuss the economic significance of producer's surplus. Evaluate the role of price control in affecting the producer's surplus and market efficiency.

UNIT-III

- 20. Illustrate the differences between Hicksian and Slutsky methods of substitution effects.
 What are the two practical implications of understanding these two effects?
- 21. Discuss the concept of budget constraint.

 Explain how it can interact with the indifference curve to determine the consumer's optimal choice.

 2+8=10

UNIT-IV

22. Discuss the role played by anti-trust policies in monopoly regulation.

23. Explain how a firm attains equilibrium output by maximising profit both during short-run and long-run. 5+5=10

UNIT-V

- 24. Explain with the help of a diagram, how MRP plays a vital role in the derivation of labour demand curve for a factor of production. What are the factors which cause shift in demand curve?
 6+4=10
- 25. What are the factors that can influence change in marginal productivity of labour within a firm? In what ways can government policies affect the marginal productivity of labour of a firm?

 5+5=10

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