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**VI Semester B.A. Degree (CCSS – Reg./Supple./Improv.)**

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**CORE COURSE IN ECONOMICS/DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS**

**6B12-ECO : Basic Tools for Economic Analysis – II**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Weightage : 30

***Instruction : Answers may be written either in English or in Malayalam.***

**PART – A**

Objective type questions (in bunches of two). Choose the correct answer :

1. Singular matrices possess which of the following ?

- a) Submatrices
- b)  $|A| \neq 0$
- c) Having inverse
- d) Square matrices

2. Error sum of squares are minimised in the method of

- a) Moving averages
- b) Semi moving averages
- c) OLS
- d) Graphs and diagrams

3. Regression coefficient are not

- a) Absolute values
- b) Relative values
- c) Average values
- d) Cause-effect values

4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x^2 + 1)(x^3 + 1) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

- a) 45
- b) 5
- c) 9
- d) 0

**(Weightage : 1)**



## II

5. Data relating to different regular period of time is
- Cross-section data
  - Time-series data
  - Pooled data
  - Panel data
6. Two regression lines intersect at
- $(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})$
  - $(X, Y)$
  - $(0, 0)$
  - Any point
7.  $A \cdot A^T = I$  for which type of matrices ?
- Diagonal matrix
  - Orthogonal matrix
  - Symmetric
  - Skew symmetric
8. Fisher's Index number is \_\_\_\_\_ index number.
- Harmonic mean
  - Arithmetic mean
  - Geometric mean
  - Simple

(Weightage : 1)

## PART - B

Short answer questions. Answer **any ten**.

9.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . Test whether A is singular or nonsingular.

10. If  $X + Y = a$  is the total product function of a firm find its marginal product, which is  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  ?
11. Write the relationship among AR, MR and elasticity.
12. Define the term 'relative'.
13. Define reversal law of transposes.



- 14. Explain adjoint of a matrix.
- 15. What is spurious correlation ?
- 16. Define regression.
- 17. What are the methods to identify the relationship existing between two variables ?
- 18. Define price index number.
- 19. Define secular trend.
- 20. Find  $MP_L$  and  $MP_K$  of  $Q = aL^\alpha K^\beta$ .

(Weightage : 10x1=10)

PART - C

Short essay. Answer **any five** :

- 21. Explain the Cost of Living Index Number.
- 22. Show that  $A^3 + 4A^2 - A - 12I = 0$  when  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- 23. Explain Inverse of a Matrix.
- 24. Find the elasticity of supply when price = 5 units, supply function is  $q = 25 - 4p + p^2$  where q is the supply at price p.
- 25. A company has a total revenue  $R = 3x$  and total cost  $C = 100 + 0.015x^2$  where x = the no. of units produced. Find the production rate 'x' that will maximise profits of the company ? Find that profit.
- 26. Explain the principle of Ordinary Least Squares and how it is useful in line of best fitting.
- 27. Explain Fisher's index number and its importance.

(Weightage : 5x2=10)