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I Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – O.B.E. – Regular/Supplementary/ Improvement) Examination, November 2022 (2019 Admission Onwards) Complementary Elective Course in Economics 1C 05 ECO – INTRODUCTORY ECONOMICS – 1

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 40

PART - A

(Very Short Answer Type Question)

Answer all questions. Each carries one mark.

- 1. What is opportunity cost?
- 2. Explain consumer surplus.
- 3. Define Indifference Curve.
- 4. Distinguish between nominal wage and real wage.
- 5. Define price discrimination.
- Define income elasticity of demand.

 $(1 \times 6 = 6)$

PART – B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer any six questions.

- 7. Explain the features of monopolistic competition.
- 8. Why demand curve is sloping downwards?
- 9. Distinguish between substitute and complementary goods.
- 10. Distinguish between marginal cost and average cost.

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- 11. Explain product differentiation.
- 12. Difference between microeconomics and macroeconomics.
- 13. Distinguish between economies of scale and diseconomies of scale.
- 14. Explain the central problems of an economy.

 $(2 \times 6 = 12)$

PART - C

(Short Essay Type Questions)

Answer **any four** questions.

- 15. Define utility. Differentiate between cardinal and ordinal utility.
- 16. What are the important properties of indifference curve?
- 17. Explain the term excess capacity under monopolistic competition with suitable diagram.
- 18. Explain the factors influencing the increase and decrease in demand.
- 19. Explain the law of variable proportions.
- 20. Explain the marginal productivity theory of distribution.

 $(3 \times 4 = 12)$

PART - D

(Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two questions.

- 21. Define elasticity of demand. Explain the factors affecting price elasticity of demand. Explain the different types of price elasticity of demand.
- 22. "Economics is primarily concerned with the allocation of scarce resources which have alternative uses." Use a production possibility curve to explain this statement.
- 23. What are the basic features of perfectly competitive market? How is the perfect competition equilibrium of a firm achieved in the short run? Discuss it with proper diagram.
- 24. Define cost function. Explain different types of cost and cost curves. (2x5=10)