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**First Semester B.A. Degree Examination, June 2022**

**First Degree Programme under CBCSS**

**Economics**

**Complementary Course I**

**EC 1131 : FOUNDATIONS OF ECONOMIC THEORY**

**(2015 - 2018 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**SECTION – I**

Answer **all** questions. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

1. Economics
2. Utility
3. Transitivity of choice
4. Opportunity cost
5. Equilibrium
6. Competition
7. Breakeven point
8. Selling cost.

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9. Isoquant
10. Oligopoly

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

## SECTION – II

Answer any **eight** questions not exceeding one paragraph. Each question carries 2 marks.

11. State the Welfare definition
12. Discuss the perspectives of Normative economics
13. Define a market?
14. What is meant by consumptions functions?
15. Discuss the law of demand
16. What is the marginal rate of substitution?
17. Examine the assumptions of the Ordinal Utility Theory
18. Distinguish between the change in Demand and change in Supply
19. Discuss the Definition of economics given by Samuelson
20. Distinguish between the marginal revenue and average revenue
21. Define Price Discrimination
22. What are the features of Bilateral monopoly?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

### SECTION – III

Answer any **six** questions not exceeding **120** words. Each question carries **4** marks.

23. Distinguish between micro economics and macro economics.
24. Examine the significance of the study of Economics.
25. Critically examine the scarcity definition of economics.
26. State and explain the law of diminishing marginal utility.
27. Examine the problem of allocation of resources.
28. Distinguish between perfect competition and pure competition.
29. What is meant by economies of scale and diseconomies of scale?
30. Examine the view of Schumpeter on profit.
31. Explain the marginal productivity theory of distribution.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

### SECTION – IV

Answer any **two** questions, not exceeding **four** pages. Each question carries **15** marks.

32. What are the basic problems of an Economy? Explain.
33. Define the elasticity of demand? Explain its types and determinants.
34. What is Production function? Briefly examine the law of variable proportions.
35. Explain the Characteristics of Monopolistic competition.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)