

APJ ABDUL KALAM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Scheme for Valuation/Answer Key

Scheme of evaluation (marks in brackets) and answers of problems/key
FIFTH SEMESTER B.TECH DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2021

Course Code: HUT 300

Course Name: INDUSTRIAL ECONOMICS & FOREIGN TRADE

Max. Marks: 100

Duration: 3 Hours

PART A

(Answer all questions; each question carries 3 marks)

Marks

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| 1 | Three basic problems 1×3=3 marks. Key points: What to produce, How to produce, For whom to produce. | 3 |
| 2 | Explanation of Production Possibility Curve: 2 mark
PPC graph: 1 mark | 3 |
| 3 | Explanation of expansion path: 1×3=3 marks | 3 |
| 4 | Explanation of Margin of safety: 2 marks
Explanation of effects of low margin of safety: 1 mark | 3 |
| 5 | Explanation of collusive oligopoly: 3 marks
Key point: To avoid price war and loss, firms enter into an agreement regarding uniform price and output. This agreement is collusion | 3 |
| 6 | Explanation price skimming: 3 marks
Key point: A high price is charged at the time of introduction of the product and a lower price during maturity. | 3 |
| 7 | Explanation of GDP calculation: 3 marks
Key point: Gross Domestic Product
It is the sum total of all final goods and services produced within the domestic territory of a country during a financial year (For any explanation regarding GDP marks should be given) | 3 |
| 8 | Any three differences: 1×3 = 3 marks | 3 |
| 9 | Explanation of free trade: 3 marks | 3 |
| 10 | Explanation of devaluation: 3 marks | 3 |

PART B*(Answer one full question from each module, each question carries 14 marks)***Module -1**

- 11 a) Any 3 advantages: $4 \times 1 = 4$ marks 7
Any 3 disadvantages: $3 \times 1 = 3$ marks
- b) Cross elasticity of demand: 2 marks 7
Key points: $(1000/8000) / (10/70) = 0.875$: 4 marks
Substitutes since cross elasticity is positive: 1 mark
- 12 a) Price elasticity: 2 marks 7
Key points: $(100/1000) / (2/22) = -1.1$: 3 marks
Demand is elastic since the value of price elasticity is greater than 1: 2 marks
- b) Explanation of Deadweight loss: 3 marks 7
Diagram and explanation: 4 marks

Module -2

- 13 a) Definition of law of variable proportion : 2 marks 7
Explanation with diagram: 5 marks
- b) Explanation of MR and AR in perfect competition: 3 marks 7
Explanation of MR and AR in imperfect competition: 4 marks
- 14 a) Explanation of Isoquant curve: 3 marks 7
Any four properties $1 \times 4 = 4$ marks.
- b) $P/V \text{ ratio} = C/S = (S-V)/S = 12000/20000 = 0.6$: 2 marks 7
Breakeven point $= F/PV \text{ ratio} = 6000/0.6 = \text{Rs } 10000$: 5 marks

Module -3

- 15 a) Features of monopoly: 3 marks, Features of oligopoly: 4 marks 7
- b) Condition of equilibrium : 2 marks Diagram: 3 marks 7
Explanation of equilibrium under monopolistic competition: 2 marks
(Five distinguish points – full marks)
- 16 a) Explanation of kinked demand curve under oligopoly: 3 marks 7
Representation of kinked demand curve: 4 marks
- b) Non-price competition: 2 marks 7
Any five non price competition methods: 5 marks

Module -4

- 17 a) Explanation of circular flow income in two-sector model: 3 marks 7
 Explanation of circular flow income in three-sector model: 4 marks
- b) Income method: $W+R+I+P=2000+500+500+1000=4000$: 3 marks 7
 Expenditure method: $C+I+G+X-M=3000+2000+700+600-300=6000-2000$ (Intermediate Cons.) $=4000$: 4 marks (For 4000 or 6000 -full marks)
- 18 a) Explanation of methods to control inflation: 7 marks 7
 Key points: monetary policy measures and fiscal policy measures
- b) GNP: 2marks, NNP: 2 marks, NI: 3 marks 7
 Key points: GNP = 4950, NNP = 4920, NI = 4870

Module -5

- 19 a) International trade: 1 mark Any six advantages: $1 \times 6 = 6$ marks 7
- b) Explanation of tariff barriers: 3 marks 7
 Any four effects of tariff barriers on economy: 4 marks
- 20 a) Arguments in favour of foreign trade: $1 \times 7 = 7$ marks 7
- b) Explanation of absolute advantage theory: 3 marks 7
 Example of absolute advantage theory: 4 marks
