

Answers (Elasticity)

$$1. P = 2000 - 50Q.$$

$$50 Q = 2000 - P$$
$$Q = 40 - (1/50)P$$

$$dq/dp = -1/50$$
$$ep = dq/dp * P/Q$$
$$= (-1/50) * (500/30)$$
$$= -1/3$$

$$TR = P * Q = 2000Q - 50Q^2$$
$$MR = d(TR)/dq$$
$$MR = 2000 - 100Q$$
$$MR = 0,$$
$$2000 - 100Q = 0,$$
$$Q = 20$$
$$P = 2000 - 50 * 20 = 1000$$
$$P = 1000$$

TR is maximum at price Rs 1000

$$2. Q_{sat} = 152.5 - 0.9 * 50 + 1.05 * 30 + 1.10 * 30$$
$$Q_{sat} = 172,000$$

$$TR = P_{sat} * Q_{sat} = 172,000 * 50 = \text{Rs } 8.6 \text{ million}$$

$$8.6 \text{ million} < 12 \text{ million}$$

Cannot cover cost now as revenue for $P_{sat} = \$50$ is \$ 12 million

b. TR maximum, When $MR = 0$, $ep = -1$

$$Ep = (dq/dp) * (P/Q)$$

$$-1 = -0.9 * P_{sat} / (152.5 - 0.9P_{sat} + 1.05 * 30 + 1.10 * 30)$$

$$-0.9P_{sat} = 0.9P_{sat} - 1.05 * 30 - 1.10 * 30 - 152.5$$

$$1.8P_{sat} = 1.05 * 30 + 1.10 * 30 + 152.5$$

$$1.8P_{sat} = 31.5 + 33 + 152.5 = 217$$

$$P_{sat} = 120.55$$

$$Q_{sat} = 152.5 - 0.9(120.55) + 1.05 \cdot 30 + 1.10 \cdot 30$$

$$Q_{sat} = 217 - 0.9(120.55) = 108.5$$

$$TR_{max} = P_{sat} \cdot Q_{sat}$$

$$= 120.55 \cdot 108.5 = 13079.68$$

Total revenue is close to 13 millions

It is more than 12 million

13.06 million > 12 million so it is possible at price of $P_{sat} = 120.55$

$$3. Q_d = 150 - 2P_X + 0.001I + 1.5P_Y$$

$$Q_s = 60 + 4P_X - 2.5W$$

Apple Bonker is a substitute

$$Q_d = 150 - 2P_X + 0.001I + 1.5P_Y = 150 - 2P_X + 0.001 \cdot 25000 + 1.5 \cdot 5 = 150 - 2P_X + 25 + 7.5 = 182.5 - 2P_X$$

$$Q_s = 60 + 4P_X - 2.5W = 60 + 4P_X - 2.5 \cdot 8.60 = 60 - 21.5 + 4P_X = 38.5 + 4P_X$$

$$182.5 - 2P_X = 38.5 + 4P_X$$

$$6P_X = 182.5 - 38.5$$

$$P_X = 24$$

$$Q_X = 134.5$$

$$\text{Initial Expenditure} = 24 \cdot 134.5 = 3228$$

$$\text{New Price} = 19$$

$$\text{New } Q = 150 - 2 \cdot 19 + 0.01 \cdot 2500 + 1.5 \cdot 5 = 112 + 25 + 7.5 = 144.5$$

$$\text{New Expenditure} = 19 \cdot 144.5 = 2745.5$$

$$\text{Expenditure falls by} = 3228 - 2745.5 = 482.5$$

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4. Let the price of low grade steel be Rs p per tone

The price of high grade steel = 2p

Total Revenue = $px + 2py = px + 2p(40 - 5x/10 - x)$

For Max TR, $MR = d/dx(TR) = 0$

Solving,

$x = 14.5$ or $x = 5.5$

$d^2/dx^2(TR) = -40p/((10-x)^3)$

When $x = 14.5$, $\{-40p/((10-14.5)^3)\} > 0$

And when $x = 5.5$, $\{-40p/((10-5.5)^3)\} < 0$

So at $x = 5.5$ TR is maximum

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$E_a = (dQ/dP) * P/Q = -1/4$

$E_b = 6 * (-1/4) = -3/2$

$-3/2 = \Delta Q / \Delta p * 10/40$

$-3/2 = \Delta Q / -2 * 10/40$

$\Delta Q = 12$

$\Delta Q = Q_2 - Q_1$

$Q_2 = \Delta Q + Q_1$

$Q_2 = 12 + 40 = 52$