

SECOND YEAR B. B. A.
Paper- 7 MANAGERIAL ECONOMICS
(Effective from June 1999)

- 1. Nature and Scope of Managerial Economics : 12%**
1. Definition of Managerial Economics.
 2. Nature of Managerial Economics.
 3. Economics-Economic Analysis : Forms and fallacies.
 - The fallacy of Composition.
 - Post hoc, Propter hoc.
 - The fallacy in Syllogism.
 - Probabilistic vs deterministic inferences.
 - Black or White or Gray fallacies.
 - Wishing it were so.
 4. Business Decisions : types.
 - Intuitive and Analysis.
 - Strategic and Tactical decisions,
 - Decisions under different degree of certainty / uncertainty.
 5. Forward Planning :
 6. Relationship between Managerial Economics to :
 - Economics.
 - Decision making.
 - Business Administration.
 - Scope of Managerial Economics.
- 2. Types of Demand : 8%**
1. Demand for Consumer's goods and Producer's goods.
 2. Demand for Perishable goods and Durable goods.
 3. Autonomous demand and Derived demand.
 4. Firm and Industry Demand-Market share.
 5. Demand by market segment and by total market.
 6. Time characteristics of demand.
- 3. Elasticity of Demand : 12%**
1. Price elasticity, income elasticity, Cross elasticity, Advertisement elasticity, elasticity of substitution their measurement (Point and arc methods) and importance in business decisions.
 2. The Sociology-psychological analysis of demand- a critique of the conventional demand theory.
 3. Demand and Revenue relationship.
- 4. Demand Forecasting : 12%**
1. Demand forecasting-meaning and its Significance.
 2. Objectives of short run and long run demand forecasting.
 3. Forecasting Methods.
 - (a) Survey Methods :
 - (b) 1. Experts' opinion i.e. simple and Delphi.
 - 2. Consumer interaction :
 - Complete enumeration.
 - Sample survey.
 - end use method.
 - (c) Statistical Methods :
 - Trend analysis (graphical).
 - Auto-regression method.
 - Simple Regression Analysis with example.
 - Simultaneous Equation.
 - Input-output methods.
 4. Choosing right forecasting technique.
 5. Criteria of good forecasting technique.
- 5. Production Analysis : 10%**
1. Production and Production function-cobb Douglas-Production function.
 2. Iso-quants; Properties of Iso-quants :

- The Principle of Marginal Rate of Technical Substitution.
- Iso-cost line.
- Least Cost input combination.
- Maximum input-Output combination.
- Maximum profit input combination.
- Factors price effect (output effect technical substitution effect).
- Expansion path.
- Explanation of law of variable proportion and return to scale with Iso-quanta Iso analysis.
- Simple example.

6. Nature of Profit :

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What is profit ? Profit Theories, Functions of Profit, Accounting profit and economic profit (without example).

7. Cost concepts and Relationships :

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1. Cost Concepts : Accounting cost and Economics Cost-opportunity cost and Actual cost-Incremental cost and Sunk cost-fixed and variable cost.
2. Total cost, Average cost, Marginal cost, Average fixed cost. Average variable cost-their relationships U-shape of short run Average cost curve- Long run average cost curve. (Saucer shape and L-shape).
3. Estimation of cost function :
 - Engineering method.
 - Survivorship method.
 - Statistical method.
 - Managerial uses of Estimated cost function i.e. optimum scale, optimum output and determination of supply.

8. Break Even Analysis :

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Concept - Break even chart- Assumptions - uses and limitations.

9. Market Structure :

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1. Concepts of total Revenue, Average Revenue, Marginal Revenue and their relationship.
2. Perfect Competition - Monopoly - Duopoly - Monopolistic Competition - Oligopoly.
3. Government intervention and pricing - Types - reasons - Consequences of Government interventions.

10. Cost - Benefit Analysis :

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Meaning of Cost - Benefit analysis method of evaluation Limitation of cost benefit analysis uses of cost benefit analysis.

Note : The Committee recommends to arrange guest talks for orientation on the following topics :

1. Demand forecasting.
2. Production Analysis.
3. Linear Programming.
4. Cost- benefit Analysis.