Bachelor's Degree Programme (BDP) EEC-11

ASSIGNMENTS

For Old Students admitted Prior or Up to January 2019 Academic Session

Course Code: EEC-11 Title of Course: Fundamentals of Economics



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EEC-11 FUNDAMENTALS OF ECONOMICS Assignment (TMA) 2023-24

Dear Student,

As explained in the Programme Guide for BDP, you will have to do one assignment for this Elective course in Economics (EEC-11). This is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks.

It is important that you write answers to all the questions in your own words. The TMA is designed to enable you to answer different categories of questions. Here evaluation is made keeping in view your ability to present your answer in a systematic, precise and coherent manner. The assignment is divided into three Sections. Remember that all questions are compulsory. Section A comprises two long answer questions of 20 marks each. Section B comprises four questions of 12 marks each while in Section C you have to answer two questions of 6 marks each.

Submission: The completed assignments should be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre on or before March 31, 2024 for the students who are planning to appear in the Term-end Examinations June, 2024 and 30th September, 2024 for the students who are planning to appear in the Term-end Examinations December, 2024.

EEC – 11 FUNDAMENTALS OF ECONOMICS TMA (Coverage: Blocks 1 to 10)

Programme Code: BDP Course Code: EEC-11 Asst. Code: EEC-11/AST/TMA/2023-24 Maximum Marks: 100

 $2 \times 20 = 40$

Note: Answer all the questions.

Section- A

Long Answer Questions (Answer in about 500 words each)

- 1. Distinguish (with graphical illustration) between price elasticity of Demand and cross elasticity of demand. How can you measure the elasticity of demand? Explain with example how the concept of elasticity of demand is useful for an industry in its decision making process?
- 2. What are the advantages of International trade? Explain Heckscher-Ohlin's (version) approach of international trade.

Section-B

Medium-Answer Questions (Answer in about 250 words each) $4 \times 12 = 48$

- 3. What do you mean by 'National Income'? Explain how production flow, income flow and expenditure flow in an economy are related to each other?
- 4. What is the distinction between law of returns and returns to scale? Explain why the law of diminishing returns operates?
- 5. (a) State the relationship between Average Cost and Marginal Cost
 - (b) From a given cost function

 $TC = 60 + 0.5q + 0.3q^2$

Find out Fixed Cost, Average Variable Cost and Marginal Cost

6. What is propensity to consume (MPC)? Explain with example and diagram how MPC influences the multiplier?

Section C

Short Answer Questions (Answer in about 100 words each)	2 x 6 = 12
7. Distinguish between any four of the following:	2 x 3 = 6
i. Inferior goods and Giffin goods	
ii. Economic law and economic theory	
iii. Multiplier and Accelerator	
iv. Perfect Competition and Monopolistic Competition	
v. External Economies and Internal Economies	
8. Explain any three of the followings:	2 x 3 = 6
i. Crowding-out Effect	
ii. Real Cash Balances	
iii. Investment Multiplier	
iv. Economic Welfare	
v. Personal Disposable Income	
vi. Stagflation	

vii. Positive Economics