

**RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMME IN  
ECONOMICS**

**Term-End Examination**

**00183 December, 2018**

**REC-103 : ECONOMETRIC METHODS**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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**Note :** *Answer questions from each section as directed.*

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**SECTION A**

*Answer any **two** questions from this section. 2×20=40*

1. Consider the multiple regression model  
 $Y = X\beta + U$  with classical assumptions.
  - (a) Derive estimators for  $\beta$ .
  - (b) Show that OLS estimators for  $\beta$  are Best Linear Unbiased Estimators (BLUE).
2. What is meant by unit root problem ? How is it detected ?

3. Bring out the underlying ideas behind the logit model. Outline the steps that you would follow in estimation of a logit model.
4. Consider a panel data model. Point out the assumptions that are made in fixed effects and random effects models. How do you decide on choice between both the models ?

## SECTION B

Answer any **five** questions from this section.

5×12=60

5. What is meant by multicollinearity ? How do you detect it ? Spell out the remedial measures for the multicollinearity problem.
6. Explain the use of dummy variable in a regression model. Formulate a problem and explain the concept of dummy variable trap.
7. Specify the random walk models. What are its implications ?
8. Derive  $R^2$  for a simple regression model. Specify its range. Interpret its value.
9. Why is heteroscedasticity a problem in a dataset ? Specify the steps you would take to remove the problem.
10. Explain the order and rank conditions in a simultaneous equation model.
11. Explain the structure of an AR model and an MA model. How are they related ?

**12.** Write short notes on any ***two*** of the following :

- (a) RESET Test
  - (b) Co-integration
  - (c) Errors in Variables
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