

Answer ALL questions.

Time allowed: 2 hours

01) a) Define the term **scarcity** in economic point of view.

b) What can be concluded about an economy which is

i) Operating on its PPC, and

ii) Operating inside the PPC.

c) What is meant by **Price Elasticity of Demand**?d) You are given the following information on the **Income Elasticity of Demand (IED)** for two goods A & B.

<u>Good</u>	<u>IED</u>
A	-2
B	+2

i) Which is a '**Normal good**' and which is an '**Inferior good**'?

ii) Give possible examples of each good and explain why you have chosen these goods?

2. a) Define a '**Production Function**'.

b) You are given the following information about the output of a good Y, as successive workers are added (employed) to a fixed amount of land and capital equipment.

Number of workers	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Total Output (units of Y)	0	4	10	18	24	28	30	30	29

Using the above information answer the following questions.

i) Calculate the **Average Product (AP)** and **Marginal Product (MP)**

ii) Plot them on a clearly labeled graph

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- iii) At what level of employment does **diminishing returns** sets in?
- iv) Indicate clearly the "**Stages of Production**" on this graph.
- v) In which '**stage of production**' does a rational producer operate? Why?

2. a) List the characteristics of '**Indifference Curves**'?

b) You are given the following information.

Price of good X = Rs. 100/=, Price of good Y = Rs. 500/=, and

Income of a particular person = Rs. 2,000/=

Using the above information answer the following questions:

- i) Find out the maximum amount of good X this person can buy,
 - ii) Find out the maximum amount of good Y this person can buy, and
 - iii) Draw the Budget Line for the two goods X and Y?
3. a) Write down the conditions of consumer equilibrium in cardinal utility approach?

b) The following table shows an individual's marginal utility schedule for commodities X and Y. Assume $P_x = \text{Rs.}2$, $P_y = \text{Rs.}1$, individual's total money income is Rs.12; and he spends all his income to buy X and Y. How much amount of X and Y will he buy?

Quantity	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
MU _x	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	2
MU _y	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4

c) The individual demand and the individual supply of a commodity X is given below. Individual demand: $(8 - P_x)$, and Individual supply: $(20P_x - 40)$; (consider there are 100 unique individuals and 100 identical producers in the market). Find out the equilibrium price and equilibrium quantity mathematically.