SENIOR SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION MARCH-2013

MARKING SCHEME – ECONOMICS (AN)

SET-2

Expected Answers / Value Points

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- Please examine each part of a question carefully and allocate the marks allotted for the part as given in the marking scheme below. TOTAL MARKS FOR ANY ANSWER MAY BE PUT IN A CIRCLE ON THE LEFT SIDE WHERE THE ANSWER ENDS.
- 2. Expected suggested answers have been given in the Marking Scheme. To evaluate the answers the value points indicated in the marking scheme be followed.
- 3. For questions asking the candidate to explain or define, the detailed explanations and definitions have been indicated alongwith the value points.
- 4. For mere arithmetical errors, there should be minimal deduction. Only ½ mark be deducted for such an error.
- 5. Wherever only two / three or a "given" number of examples / factors / points are expected only the first two / three or expected number should be read. The rest are irrelevant and must not be examined.
- 6. There should be no effort at "moderation" of the marks by the evaluating teachers. The actual total marks obtained by the candidate may be of no concern to the evaluators.
- 7. Higher order thinking ability questions are assessing student's understanding / analytical ability.
- 8. The Examiners should acquaint themselves with the guidelines given in the Guidelines for Spot Evaluation before starting the actual evaluation.
- 9. Every Examiner should stay upto sufficiently reasonable time normally 5-6 hours everyday and evaluate 20-25 answer books and should devote minimum 15-20 minutes to evaluate each answer book.

Every Examiner should acquaint himself / herself with the marking schemes of all the sets.

<u>General Note</u>: In case of numerical question no mark is to be given if only the final answer is given.

A2	Expected Answer / Value Points	Distribution of Marks				
SECTION-A						
1	"Decrease" in demand refers to fall in demand due to any factor other than own price of the good.	1				
2	Inferior good	1				
3	It is addition to total product when one more unit of input is employed. $ \underline{\text{OR}} TP_n - TP_{n-1} \underline{\text{OR}} \frac{\Delta TP}{\Delta Q} $	1				
4	Cost in economics is the sum of actual money expenditure on inputs and estimated value of the inputs provided by the owner.	1				
5	(i) Resources are limited.	1/2				
	(ii) Resources have alternative uses.	1/2				
6	When utility is expressed in exact units, like 1, 2, 3 etc, it is termed as cardinal utility.	1½				
	When utility is expressed in ranks, like more utility or less utility, etc, it is called ordinal utility.	1½				
7	$E_P = \frac{\% \text{ change in demand}}{\% \text{ change in p} x0}$	1				
	$=\frac{+100\%}{-50\%}$	1½				
	=-2	1/2				
	(No marks if only the final answer is given)					
8	Three phases 1. TP increases at an increasing rate. 2. TP increases at decreasing rate. 3. TP falls	1½				
	PHASE II PHASE III VARIABLE INPUT OR When MC is lower than AC, AC falls. When MC is equal to AC, AC is constant.	1½				
	When MC is higher than AC, AC rises.	3				

	For the Blind candidates Statement of phases (Same as above)	1½ 1½
	Numerical example OR Same as above.	3
	Same as above.	
9	PRICE B Q OUTPUT (SUPPLY)	1
	Suppose the E_P is to measured at point A of the Supply curve S . Draw a perpendicular from point A intersecting X -axis at Q . Supply curve intercepts X axis at Y .	1
	Then,	1/2
	E_S at $A = \frac{BQ}{OQ}$	1/2
	= Less than 1	/2
	(The method described in any other way but relevant must be awarded) For Blind Candidates	
	Law of Supply Schedule	1 2
10	MRT is the ratio of units of one good sacrificed to produce one more unit of the other good.	1
	Let the two goods be X and Y . Suppose one more unit of X is to be produced. For this resources worth producing $2Y$ are to be transferred to the production of X . Then $2Y:1X$ is the MRT	2
11	Government can impose heavy taxes on production of liquor. Given price, producers' supply "decreases". This creates excess demand leading to competition between buyers. Price starts rising. As a result demand starts falling and supply rising till a new equilibrium is established but only at a higher price leading to fall in consumption of liquor. (Note: Any alternative answer but based on market mechanism must be awarded)	4
	(Any other individual response with suitable justification should also be accepted even if there is no reference to the text)	

12	When the $MU_A \ _ M$								
	$\frac{MU_A}{P_A} = \frac{M}{P_A}$								
	Given that								
	$\left \frac{MU_A}{P_A} < \frac{M}{P_A} \right $								
	P_A P								
	Since per rupee MU_A is lower than per rupee MU_B , consumer diverts expenditure from on good A to good B. This reduces demand for good A.								
13	Revenue i	s rece	ipts fro	om sale	of ou	tput <u>or</u> simply value of output.	1		
	Given								
	AR =	$\frac{TR}{O}$					1		
)				1½		
	AR =	$\frac{1}{Q}$	<u>;</u> =						
	AR =	P					1/2		
		_				<u>OR</u>			
	(a) Sub	sidy ı	aises	reveni	ue wh	nich in term raises profit. This induces the	2		
	producer to supply more.						2		
	(b) Technological progress reduces cost which in turn raises profits. This induces the producer to supply more.								
14									
	Output	TC	TR	МС	MR				
	1	9	8	9	8				
	2	15	14	6	6				
	3	18	18	3	4				
	4	20	20	2	2	Equilibrium	2		
	5	23	20	3	0	Schedule			
	The producer is in equilibrium at 4 units of output.						1		
	• <u>Reasons</u> : (1) $MC = MR$ (2) $MC > MR$ after equilibrium								
	• Profit = $TR - TC = 20 - 20 = 0$								
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15	(i) (ii)	Such a freedom ensures that each firm earns just the normal profit in the long run, the minimum necessary for continuing in the business. If the firms are earning super normal profits, new firms enter the industry. This raises the industry's output leading to fall in market price till the excess profits are wiped out and each firm earns just the normal profit. Interdependence between firms means that an individual firm takes	3						
	()	decision about price and output after taking into consideration the reactions of rival firms. Each firm carefully studies the likely reactions of its rivals and then takes any decision about the firm.	3						
16	The tw	vo conditions of consumer's equilibrium under Indifference Curve Analysis							
	1.	Marginal Rate of Substitution = Ratio of prices	1						
	2.	MRS has a tendency to fall	1						
	<u>Explan</u>	<u>ation</u>							
	(1)	Let the two goods be X and Y. Suppose MRS is greater than Px/Py, the consumer can add to utility by consuming more of X and less of Y. As a result MRS starts falling. This continues till MRS becomes equal to Px/Py.	3						
	(2)	Unless MRS has a tendency to fall as more of one good is consumed in place of the other, equilibrium will not be attained.	1						
	The three properties are :								
	(1)	Slopes downwards to the right	1						
		<u>because</u> as the consumer consumes more of one good, the consumption of the other good must fall so that consumer remains on the same level of satisfaction.	1						
	(2)	Convex towards the Origin	1						
		It means that MRS falls as more of one and less of the other good is consumed <u>because</u> of the operation of the Law of Diminishing Marginal Utility.	1						
	(3)	An indifference curve to the right represents higher level of satisfaction.	1						
		<u>because</u> it represent more goods and more goods means more utility due to the assumption of monotonic preferences.	1						
	SECTION-B								
17		dary Sector includes production units which are engaged in transforming od into another good.	1						
18		factor incomes from abroad by residents fall short of factor incomes to dipaid to non-residents.	1						

19	Government can tax the rich and spend the amount on providing free facilities to the poor. (Any other individual response with suitable justification should also be accepted even if there is no reference to the text)	1				
20	Deposits in banks which can be withdrawn by writing cheques are <u>demand</u> <u>deposits</u> . (or any other relevant answer)	1				
21	<u>Domestic product</u> broadly refers to the final goods and services produced within the economic (domestic) territory of the country.	1				
22	$Y = \bar{C} + MPC.Y + I$ (or $Y = C + I$)	1				
	1000 = 100 + (0.7)1000 + I	1½				
	I = 1000 - 100 - 700 = 200	1/2				
23	Aggregate demand means economy's total demand for final goods and services (or total expenditure) expected during the year.	1				
	<u>Components</u> : (1) Private final consumption expenditure					
	(2) Investment					
	(3) Government Expenditure					
	(4) Net exports	½×4				
24	Receipts which neither reduce assets nor increase liabilities are called <u>revenue</u> <u>receipts</u> in a government budget.	1				
	Example: tax received, interest received, etc. (any one)	1/2				
	Receipts which either reduce assets or increase liabilities are called <u>capital</u> <u>receipts</u> in a government budget.					
	Example : Sale of shares held by government, borrowing by government. (any one)	1 1/2				
25	Fall in exchange rate means that the country has to pay less to buy one unit of foreign exchange worth of goods from abroad. Therefore, imports become cheaper. This raises demand for imports.	3				
26	Anything which is widely accepted as a medium of exchange is money. Money	1				
20	supply is the stock of money on a specific day.	1				
	It is composed of currency with public and demand deposits in banks.	1				
	<u>OR</u>					
	Deferred payments means payments to be made in future. Money serves as a standard of such payments, e.g. repayment of loan, interest, etc. This function has made possible smooth working of the borrowing and lending activities.	3				

27	Government can influence allocation and reallocation of resources in the country in many ways. It can directly undertake production of goods and services, particularly those which are needed by the general public and in which the private sector does not show much of interest due to profit consideration. Government can encourage industries by giving tax concessions, subsidies, liberal licensing rules, etc. Government can discourage industries, particularly those which are not in public interest, through heavy taxation, etc.	4					
	<u>OR</u>						
	Stability here refers to stability in price level in the country which is necessary to create business environment. Government can influence price level by imposing or cutting taxes depending on the need of the situation. Government can also do the same by increasing or decreasing government expenditure depending on the need.						
28	In determining deficit in Balance of Payments, all its transactions are classified into autonomous and accommodating transactions. The transactions which are independent of other transactions in BOP are called 'autonomous'. A deficit in BOP is said to occur when autonomous inflows of foreign exchange fall short of autonomous outflows. The transactions which are undertaken to cover this deficit are accommodating transactions.	4					
29	The central bank has legal right to issue currency notes in the country. Normally, the central bank has the monopoly of issuing currency. This brings in uniformity in the issue of currency. It also gives power to the central bank for controlling money supply.	4					
30	(i) <u>Free medical facilities to employees</u> are compensation of employees, and so should be included.	2					
	(ii) Pension to senior citizens are transfer payments and so should not be included.	2					
	(iii) <u>Interest payment by a government owned firm</u> is a factor payment because the loan was taken by a firm and, so should be included.	2					
	(No marks if the reason is not given)						
	<u>OR</u>						
	Given nominal income, we can find real income in the following way:						
	Real income = $\frac{Nominal\ income}{Price\ index}$						
	(or any alternative mode of presentation)						
	When income earning activities of one do harm or benefit others without any compensation paid or received, such harms and benefits are called 'externalities'. Real national income does not take into account such externalities which do effect welfare of the people negatively or positively as the case may be. Therefore	4					
	national income alone is not sufficient index of welfare.	4					

31	Inflationary gap refers to a situation when aggregate demand exceeds aggregate supply at the full employment level of income. It is called 'inflationary' because it brings in inflationary tendencies in the economy.	1½
	O F M INCOME Full Emp.	1½
	In the diagram, ${\it OF}$ =full employment income and IG is inflationary gap at this income.	
	Role of L.R.R.	
	Legal Reserve Ratio is that minimum ratio deposits with banks which these banks are required to keep in the form of cash and specified liquid assets. In case of inflationary gap, the central bank can raise LRR thus reducing the lending capacity of the banks. As a result borrowings from banks decline leading to fall in aggregate demand.	3
	For the Blind Candidates	
	Inflationary gap : (same as above)	1½
	Deflationary gap :	1½
	Role of LRR (Same as above)	3
32	$NNP_{mp} = iv + vi + (i + iii - v) - ii - viii$	2
	= 30 + 10 + 7 + 3 - 1 - 2 - 4	1½
	= Rs.43 Arab	1/2
	$GNDI = NNP_{mp} + (x - i) + ix$	1
	=43+8-7+(-2)	1/2
	= Rs.42 Arab	1/2