#### 2009

### M. Com.

# 1st Semester Examination MANAGERIAL ECONOMICS

**PAPER — CM-1105** 

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

## Unit—I [Marks : 20]

1. Answer any two questions:

5x2

- (a) State the axioms of Revealed Preference theory.
- (b) Define elasticity of substitution and show that it is equal to unity for Cobb-Douglas production function.
- (c) What is expansion path? Show how the long run cost function can be derived from the expansion path of the firm.
- (d) Define cross price elasticity of demand and explain its uses.
- 2. Answer any one of the following:

10×1

- (a) (i) How can the price-elasticity of demand for a good be determined directly from the slope of the price-consumption curve?
  - (ii) Distinguish, following Hicks, between the income effect and substitution effect of a price-change.

- (b) (i) State the law of variable proportion and show how the U-shape of the short run AVC curve can be derived from this law.
  - (ii) Show how the shape of long run total cost curve depends on the nature of returns to scale.

## Unit—II [Marks: 20]

3. Answer any two of the following:

5×2

- (a) Prove that a monopolist never produces an output level where the absolute value of the price elasticity of demand is less than unity.
- (b) Distinguish between pure strategy and mixed strategy in the theory of games.
- (c) Prove that in a perfectly competitive market a firm reaches equilibrium in the short run where price equals marginal cost.
- (d) State the assumptions of Leontief static open inputoutput model. What is the distinction between an open model and a closed model?
- 4. Answer any one question:

10×1

- (a) (i) State the features of monopolistic competition.
  - (ii) Prove that in long run equilibrium under monopolistic competition excess capacity remains present. 5+5
- (b) (i) Describe and classify games. Show the equilibrium position of the following constant sum game: 4+6

Player A

| rayci D |   |    |     |
|---------|---|----|-----|
|         | I | II | III |
| I       | 3 | 2  | 6   |
| II      | 2 | 9  | 1   |
| III     | 4 | 7  | 5   |

Diagram D

[Internal Assessment: 10 Marks]