

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

BA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2025
(First Semester)

Branch - ECONOMICS

MICRO ECONOMICS – I

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question | K Level | CO |
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| 1 | 1 | One of the following best describes the scope of economics, identify a) Study of celestial phenomena b) Allocation of scarce resources c) Analysis of chemical reactions d) Measurement of physical distances | K1 | CO1 |
| | 2 | Opportunity cost refers to a) The value of the next best alternative foregone b) The cost of production c) The monetary price of a good d) The total utility derived from consumption | K2 | CO1 |
| 2 | 3 | A demand schedule shows a) The relationship between supply and demand b) The quantity demanded at different prices c) The equilibrium price d) The elasticity of demand | K1 | CO2 |
| | 4 | The law of supply states that a) As price increases, quantity supplied decreases b) As price increases, quantity supplied increases c) Supply is constant regardless of price d) Supply and demand are always equal | K2 | CO2 |
| 3 | 5 | The formula for calculating Marginal Utility (MU) is a) $MU = \Delta TU / \Delta Q$ b) $MU = TU / Q$ c) $MU = TU - Q$ d) $MU = TU \times Q$ | K1 | CO3 |
| | 6 | An indifference curve shows all the combinations of two goods that provide a consumer with: a) The highest possible level of satisfaction b) The lowest possible level of satisfaction c) The same level of satisfaction d) Varied levels of satisfaction | K2 | CO3 |
| 4 | 7 | The difference between the price a consumer is willing to pay and the price actually paid is called as a) Consumer Surplus b) Producer Surplus c) Equilibrium Price d) Marginal Utility | K1 | CO4 |
| | 8 | If the price elasticity of demand is greater than 1, demand is: a) Elastic b) Inelastic c) Unit elastic d) Perfectly inelastic | K2 | CO4 |
| 5 | 9 | The technical relationship between inputs and output is known as a) Cost Function b) Production Function c) Demand Function d) Supply Function | K1 | CO5 |
| | 10 | An isoquant curve shows all the combinations of two inputs that produce: a) The lowest possible level of output b) The highest possible level of output c) The same level of output d) Varied levels of output | K2 | CO5 |

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SECTION - B (35 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 × 7 = 35)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question | K Level | CO |
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| 1 | 11.a. | Explain the central problems of an economy. | K2 | CO1 |
| | (OR) | | | |
| | 11.b. | Describe positive and normative economics with suitable examples. | | |
| 2 | 12.a. | Explain the determinants of individual and market demand. | K3 | CO2 |
| | (OR) | | | |
| | 12.b. | Illustrate the law of supply. | | |
| 3 | 13.a. | Examine the different concept of utility and its measurement. | K4 | CO3 |
| | (OR) | | | |
| | 13.b. | Define Indifference Curve and analyze its properties. | | |
| 4 | 14.a. | Explain the types of elasticity of demand. | K4 | CO4 |
| | (OR) | | | |
| | 14.b. | Examine the concept of consumer surplus with a diagram. | | |
| 5 | 15.a. | Explain the characteristics of factors of production that helps to plan production. | K3 | CO5 |
| | (OR) | | | |
| | 15.b. | Bring out Cobb-Douglas Production Function and identify its limitations | | |

SECTION - C (30 Marks)

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(3 × 10 = 30)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question | K Level | CO |
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| 1 | 16 | Explain Production Possibility Curve (PPC) with a diagram. | K4 | CO1 |
| 2 | 17 | Elucidate the Law of Demand with a diagram and provide an example to illustrate it. | K4 | CO2 |
| 3 | 18 | Discuss the Law of Diminishing Marginal Utility and analyse how this principle applies to real-world situation. | K4 | CO3 |
| 4 | 19 | Examine the methods of measuring elasticity of demand | K4 | CO4 |
| 5 | 20 | Analyze the stages Law of Variable Proportions | K4 | CO5 |

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