

**ECONOMICS**  
**ECO: 1.4**  
**STATISTICAL ECONOMICS**

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions*

1. Answer the following questions. 2x4=8
- What do you mean by mutually exclusive events?
  - What is a sample statistic?
  - Show that the probability of an impossible event is 0.
  - What is power of a test?
2. Answer the following questions. 5x4=20
- Examine the following statement and add comments. The mean of binomial distribution is 5 and standard deviation is 3.
  - What is hypothesis testing?
  - Briefly explain the properties of Poisson distribution.
  - What are the two types of errors?
3. Answer any two (2) of the following questions. 10x2=20
- Probability of any ship of company been destroyed on a certain voyage is 0.02. The company owns 6 ships for the voyage. What is the probability of loosing (i) atmost 2 ships and (ii) none of the ships?  
(5+5)
  - Explain sampling and non sampling errors. Suggest measures to avoid them?  
(7+3)
  - Explain the least square method of estimating parameters
  - What is estimation? What are point estimates and interval estimates?  
What are the characteristics of a good estimator? (2+3+5)



4. Answer the following questions.

$$16 \times 2 = 32$$

A. The local authorities in a certain city installed 2000 electric line in a street of the city. If a lamp has average life of 1000 burning hours with standard deviation 200 hours. Find

- 1) What number of lamps might be expected to fail in the first 700 burning hours?
- 2) After what period of burning hours would we expect that
  - a) 12 per cent of the lamps would fail.
  - b) 15 percent of the lamps would be still burning.

$$6 + 5 + 5 = 16$$

OR

B. Explain the paired t-test. The sales data of an item in six shops before and after a special promotion campaign are as under

Shops	a	b	c	d	e	f
Before	53	28	31	48	50	42
After	58	29	30	55	56	45

Can the campaign be claimed as success? Test at 5% level of significance. ( $t_{0.05} = 2.57$ ;  $v = 5$ )

C. Explain the properties of normal distribution? In a normal distribution exactly 7 percent of the items are under 35 and 89 percent are under 63. What are the mean and standard deviation of the distribution?

$$6 + 10 = 16$$

OR

D. What is chi-square test? What are its uses? A milk producers union wishes to test whether the preference pattern of consumers for its products is dependent on income levels. A random sample 500 individuals gives the following data below. Can you conclude the preference patterns are independent of income levels? ( $\chi^2 = 5.99$  for  $v = 2$  at 5% level of significance) (6+10)

Income	Product A	Product B	Product C
Low	160	300	140
Medium	140	100	160
High	300	400	300

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