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MBA 2nd Semester Examination

Quantitative Methods and Operations Research (N.S.)

MBA-201

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

The candidates shall limit their answers precisely within the answer-book (40 pages) issued to them and no supplementary/ continuation sheet will be issued.

- Note :** (i) Attempt all parts of question in Section-A.
(ii) Attempt any four questions from Section-B.
(iii) Attempt any two questions from Section-C.

SECTION - A (Do all parts)

1. (i) Briefly describe advantages and limitations of Operations Research.
- (ii) Discuss briefly about the most widely used criterion for evaluating various alternatives in decision making under risk.
- (iii) Briefly describe decision Tree Analysis.
- (iv) Take a linear programming problem example and write its dual problem.
- (v) What are important steps in the application of PERT/CPM?
- (vi) What is North West Corner method? Where to we use it?
- (vii) What is meant by optimal strategy in game theory?

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- (viii) In a queuing system with Poissonian arrivals and exponential departures and having traffic intensity ρ (<1), what is the probability that there are less than n customers in a single server system?
- (ix) Explain the dominance principle used in the reduction of order of pay-off matrix of a game problem.
- (x) What are the various types of inventories? **(2×10=20)**

SECTION - B (Do any four questions)

2. What are the Operations Research models in practice? **(5)**
3. Discuss about various Criteria of decision-making under uncertainty. **(5)**
4. Solve the following problem using graphical method:
 Maximize
 $z = 3x + 2y$
 subject to constraints
 $x - y \leq 2$
 $x + y \leq 4$
 where $x, y \geq 0$ **(5)**
5. For the game problem prescribed by pay-off matrix to player A and given by

$$A \begin{matrix} I \\ II \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} B \\ II \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & II \\ 2 & 5 \\ 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- determine the value of the game and optimum strategies for two players. **(5)**

6. Solve the assignment problem prescribed by the cost matrix of person versus jobs.

$$\begin{array}{c} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ P_3 \\ P_4 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & J_2 & J_3 & J_4 \\ 8 & 26 & 17 & 21 \\ 13 & 28 & 4 & 26 \\ 38 & 19 & 18 & 15 \\ 19 & 26 & 24 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

to find the minimum cost of assignment. (5)

7. The data on the operating cost per year and resale price of a machine having a cost price of Rs. 10,00 are given below :

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Operating Cost (Rs.)	1500	1990	2300	2900	3600	4500	5500
Resale Value (Rs.)	5000	2500	1250	600	400	400	400

Find the optimum period of replacement. (5)

SECTION - C (Do any two questions)

8. Maximize $z = 3x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3$
 subject to constraints
 $4x_1 - 2x_3 \leq 12$
 $3x_1 + 8x_2 - 4x_3 \leq 10$
 $-x_1 + 3x_2 + 3x_3 \leq 7$
 where $x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$. (10)
9. The availability of number of units of a product at factories F_1, F_2, F_3 and F_4 is given; the requirement at warehouse w_1, w_2 and w_3 of that product is also given. The cost matrix giving cost of transportation per unit of product from the factory to warehouse is as given below. [P.T.O.]

	W_1	W_2	W_3	Availability
F_1	8	4	7	50
F_2	5	7	9	100
F_3	6	9	5	70
F_4	9	5	4	30

Requirement 50 80 100

Determine the number of units to be allocated along routes from factories to warehouses which gives least cost of transportation.

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10. At a service station manned by one service provider, arrivals follow Poissonian distribution and departure after service follow exponential distribution. On the average one customer arrives every 10 minutes and a customer requires on the average 6 minutes to be served. Find out:

- (i) Average no. of customers in the system.
- (ii) Average no. of customers in the queue.
- (iii) Average time spent in the system.
- (iv) Average time spent in the queue.
- (v) Probability that there will be four customers in the system.
- (vi) Probability that the customer is served on arrival.
- (vii) Utilization factor of the service station.

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11. (a) What is the significance and scope of operation research in modern management?

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- (b) Explain how and why operation Research methods have been valuable in aiding executive decisions.

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