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**Questions and Suggested Answers  
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**QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR BUSINESS  
(QMB)**

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SUGGESTED ANSWERS

SECTION – A

Fifteen (15) compulsory questions

(Total 40 marks)

*Suggested Answers to Question One:*

$$\begin{aligned} 1.1 \quad 6x + 4 &= 4x + 16 \\ 2x &= 12 \\ x &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

Answer (2)

(03 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} 1.2 \quad \text{The number of adults who attended the concert is} &= x \\ \text{The number of children's who attended the concert is} &= 40 - x \\ \text{Total tickets sales income} &= \text{Rs. } 5,000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 200x + 100(40 - x) &= 5000 \\ 200x + 4000 - 100x &= 5000 \\ 100x &= 1000 \\ x &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

Answer (2)

(03 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} 1.3 \quad 0.35 + 0.25 + x &= 1.00 \\ X &= 1.00 - 0.60 \\ X &= 0.40 \end{aligned}$$

Answer (3)

(03 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} 1.4 \quad A &= P(1 + r)^n \\ P &= 100 \quad r = 0.1 \quad n = 3 \\ A &= 100 \times 1.1^3 \\ A &= 133.1 \end{aligned}$$

Total amount available in bank is 133.1 Million.

Answer (1)

(03 marks)

$$1.5 \quad TC = q^3 - 10q^2 + 25q + 10$$

$$\frac{dTC}{dq} = 3q^2 - 20q + 25$$

$$MC = 3q^2 - 20q + 25$$

**Answer (2)**

*(03 marks)*

1.6	Cost	Profit	Selling price
	100	20	120
	2400		?

$$\text{Selling price is} = \frac{2400 \times 120}{100} = \text{Rs. } 2,880.00$$

**Answer (2)**

*(03 marks)*

$$1.7 \quad r = \frac{n \sum XY - \sum X \cdot \sum Y}{\sqrt{(n \sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2)(n \sum Y^2 - (\sum Y)^2)}}$$

$$r = \frac{15 \times 9915 - 177 \times 679}{\sqrt{(15 \times 2576 - 177^2)(15 \times 39771 - 679^2)}}$$

$$= \mathbf{0.9068}$$

**Answer (1)**

*(03 marks)*

1.8 If the base year is changed to year 2014.

Then the indx number for year 2017

$$= \frac{130 \times 100}{90}$$

$$= 144.44$$

$$= 144\%$$

**Answer (1)**

*(03 marks)*

$$1.9 \quad 0 \times 0.45 = 0$$

$$1 \times 0.22 = 0.22$$

$$2 \times 0.19 = 0.38$$

$$3 \times 0.08 = 0.24$$

$$4 \times 0.06 = 0.24$$

$$\text{The expected number of accidents} = \mathbf{1.08}$$

**Answer (2)**

*(03 marks)*

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.10 \quad S &= \frac{A(R^n - 1)}{R - 1} \\
 S &= \frac{A[(1.03)^8 - 1]}{1.03 - 1} \\
 75,000 &= \frac{A[(1.03)^8 - 1]}{0.03} \\
 2,250 &= 0.2667A \\
 A &= \underline{\underline{8,434}}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Answer (4)**

**(03 marks)**

$$1.11 \quad I = prt \quad p = 200,000 \quad r = 0.12 \quad t = 3$$

$$I = 200,000 \times 0.12 \times 3$$

$$I = 72,000$$

$$\text{Total interest} = \underline{\underline{\text{Rs. 7,000}}}$$

**(02 marks)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.12 \quad A &= P(1 + r)^n \\
 P &= 200,000 \quad r = 0.12 \quad n = 3 \\
 A &= 200,000 \times 1.12^3 \\
 A &= 280,985.60
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total interest} = \underline{\underline{\text{Rs. 80,985.60}}}$$

**(02 marks)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.13 \quad A &= P(1 + r/N)^{nxN} \\
 P &= 200,000 \quad r = 0.12 \quad n = 3 \quad N=4 \\
 A &= 200,000 \times (1 + 0.12/4)^{3 \times 4} \\
 A &= 200,000 \times 1.03^{12} \\
 A &= \underline{\underline{\text{285,152.18}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total amount he should be paid} = \underline{\underline{\text{Rs. 285,152.18}}}$$

**(02 marks)**

1.14 Statement is True.

**(02 marks)**

1.15 Statement is False.

**(02 marks)**

**(Total 40 marks)**

**End of Section A**

Four (04) compulsory questions.

(Total 40 marks)

*Suggested Answers to Question Two:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) (i) } C &= x^2 - 90x + 4800 \\ X &= 60 \\ C &= x^2 - 90x + 4800 \\ C &= 60^2 - 90 \times 60 + 4800 \\ \underline{C} &= \underline{3000} \end{aligned}$$

Total cost at the break even point is Rs. 3,000 Million

(03 marks)

(ii) At the break even point

$$\begin{aligned} \text{TR} &= \text{TC} \\ \text{Their for TR} &= \underline{3000} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{TR} &= p \times q \\ P \times q &= 3000 \\ P \times 60 &= 3000 \\ P &= 3000/60 \\ P &= 50 \end{aligned}$$

Selling price is Rs. 50 Million

(02 marks)

(b) (i) Profit function

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= R(x) - C(x) \\ P(x) &= (36x - 4x^2) - (24x - 3x^2 + 1200) \\ \underline{P(x)} &= \underline{12x - x^2 - 1200} \end{aligned}$$

(02 marks)

(ii)  $R(x) = 36x - 4x^2$

$$\text{MR} = \frac{dR}{dx}$$

$$\text{MR} = 36 - 8x$$

$$C(x) = 24x - 3x^2 + 1200$$

$$\text{MC} = 24 - 6x$$

At maximum profit

$$\text{MR} = \text{MC}$$

$$36 - 8x = 24 - 6x$$

$$2X = 12$$

$$X = 6$$

No. of units 6 (for the maximum profit)

(03 marks)

(Total 10 marks)

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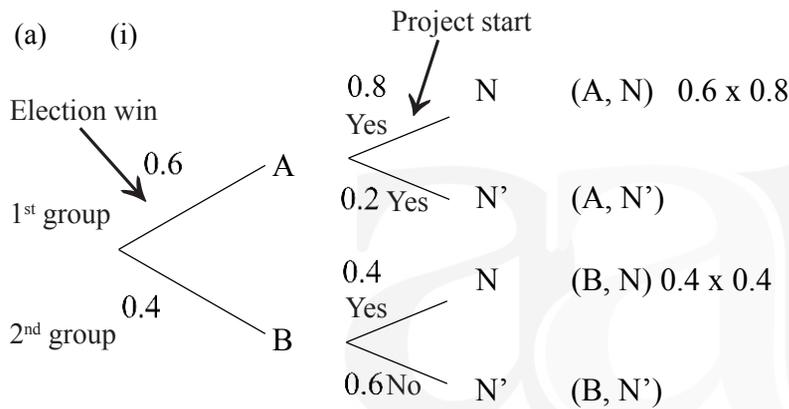
**Alternative Answer**

b) ii)

At maximum point

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP}{dx} &= -2x + 12 \\ 2x &= 12 \\ x &= \underline{\underline{6 \text{ units}}} \end{aligned}$$

***Suggested Answers to Question Three:***



- A – 1<sup>st</sup> group win  
B – 2<sup>nd</sup> group win  
N – Starting new project

(03 marks)

(ii) Probability of starting new project = 0.48 + 0.16  
= 0.64

(03 marks)

(b) (i) Probability = 75/98

(02 marks)

(ii) Probability = 15/98

(02 marks)

(Total 10 marks)

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***Suggested Answers to Question Four:***

$$(a) \quad b = \frac{n \sum XY - \sum X \cdot \sum Y}{(n \sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2)}$$

$$b = \frac{6(990) - (30)(180)}{6(190) - 30^2}$$

$$b = \underline{\underline{2.25}}$$

$$a = \bar{y} - b\bar{x}$$

$$a = 180/6 - 2.25 \times 30/6$$

$$a = 18.75$$

Regression line =  $Y = a + bx$

$$\underline{\underline{Y = 18.75 + 2.25x}}$$

*(07 marks)*

(b) When  $x = 7$

$$Y = 18.75 + 2.25 \times 7$$
$$= 34.5$$

**Annual income Rs.34.5 million**

*(03 marks)*

*(Total 10 marks)*

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***Suggested Answers to Question Five:***

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) Mean (x)} &= \frac{\sum X}{n} \\ &= 455/7 \\ &= \underline{\underline{65}} \end{aligned}$$

**(02 marks)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Standard Deviation} &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2}{n} - \left(\frac{\sum X}{n}\right)^2} \\ \text{Standard Deviation} &= \sqrt{\frac{31\,605}{7} - \left(\frac{455}{7}\right)^2} \\ &= \underline{\underline{17.02}} \end{aligned}$$

**(04 marks)**

**Alternative Answer**

a) ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Standard Deviation of} &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x^2 - x)^2}{n}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(60 - 65)^2 + (92 - 65)^2 + (84 - 65)^2 + (66 - 65)^2 + (54 - 65)^2 + (37 - 65)^2 + (62 - 65)^2}{7}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{25 + 729 + 361 + 1 + 121 + 784 + 9}{7}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2030}{7}} \\ &= \sqrt{290} \\ &= \underline{\underline{17.02}} \end{aligned}$$

b)

Year	Quarter	Quarterly Sales (Rs. '000)			Moving Average
2015	1	20			
	2	30			
			149		37.25
	3	40			
			168	(a)	42
	4	59			
2016			181	(b)	45.25
	1	39			
			203	(c)	50.75
	2	43			
			225	(d)	56.25
	3	62			
			238	(e)	59.5
	4	81			
2017			260	(f)	65
	1	52			
			273	(g)	68.25
	2	65			
			286	(h)	71.5
	3	75			
	4	94			

(04 marks)  
(Total 10 marks)

**End of Section B**

One (01) compulsory question.  
(Total 20 marks)

*Suggested Answers to Question Six:*

(A)	<u>Product</u>	<u>Product in degrees</u>
	P	$40 \times \frac{360}{170} = \underline{84.7^0}$
	Q	$45 \times \frac{360}{170} = \underline{95.3^0}$
	R	$50 \times \frac{360}{170} = \underline{105.8^0}$
	S	$35 \times \frac{360}{170} = \underline{74.2^0}$

(04 marks)

(B)

	$P_0$	$q_0$	$p_1$	$p_0q_0$	$p_1q_0$
A	850	1100	1150	935,000	1,265,000
B	600	500	610	300,000	305,000
C	450	1400	350	630,000	490,000
				<b>1,865,000</b>	<b>2,060,000</b>

$$\text{Laspeyre's Price Index } (LP_{1/0}) = \frac{\sum(p_1 \times q_0)}{\sum(p_0 \times q_0)} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{2,060,000}{1,865,000} \times 100\%$$

$$= \underline{110.45\%}$$

(05 marks)

(C)

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + 2y &= 40 && \text{--- ①} \\ 2x + 5y &= 60 && \text{--- ②} \\ \text{②} \times 2 & 4x + 10y &= 120 && \text{--- ③} \\ \text{③} - \text{①} & 8y &= 80 && \\ & \underline{y} &= \underline{10} && \end{aligned}$$

(05 marks)

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Substituting  $x = 10$ , in ② "

$$2x + 50 = 60$$

$$2x = 10$$

$$x = 5$$

$$\begin{cases} x = 5 \\ y = 10 \end{cases}$$

d) i)

Year	C.F.	D.F.	PV
0		1	(500,000)
1	150,000	0.909	136,350
2	220,000	0.826	181,720
3	260,000	0.751	195,260
<b>NPV</b>			<b>13,330</b>

(04 marks)

- ii) NPV is positive.  
So the company can invest in this project.

(02 marks)

(Total 20 marks)

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*End of Section C*

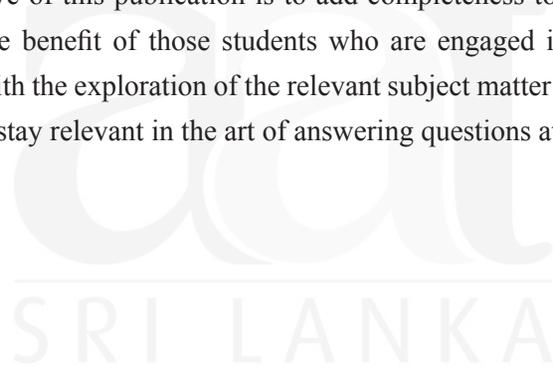
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