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CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: BUSINESS STUDIES

COURSE CODE: BUS1313|BIT108|BCM101|DSM101

COURSE TITLE: PRINCIPLES OF MICRO ECONOMICS

EXAM DATE: THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2019

DURATION: 2 HOURS

TIME: 9:00AM-11:00AM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- *Write clearly and legibly.*
- This exam script consists of **Six (6)** questions.
- Answer **questions ONE (compulsory)** and **Any other three (3)** questions
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

QUESTION ONE: (COMPULSORY)

- a) Define the following terms as used in micro-economics
- i. Utility (2marks)
 - ii. Diminishing marginal utility (2marks)
 - iii. Marginal Rate of Substitution (MRS) (2marks)
 - iv. Price elasticity of demand (2marks)
 - v. Increasing return to scale (2marks)
 - vi. Free Enterprise economic system (2marks)
 - vii. Perfect competition (2marks)
 - viii. Monopolistic competition (2marks)
 - ix. Monopoly (2marks)
 - x. Collusive oligopoly (2marks)
- b) Describe the law of diminishing returns as used in production theory (4marks)
- c) The law of demand doesn't apply to all goods. Explain (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Outline any four properties of indifference curves (4 marks)
- b) Explain any three factors that determine the quantity demanded of a commodity. (6marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Highlight any two factors that determine the elasticity of supply (2 marks)
- b) Identify and explain any three factors that influence supply (8marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Given the following economic function, determine the equilibrium market **price** and **quantity**

Demand function: $Q_d = 100 - 2p$

Supply function: $Q_s = 40 + 4p$ (2marks)

- b) Explain the following terms as used in economics
- i. Price Floor (2marks)
 - ii. Price Ceiling (2marks)
- c) Discuss the concept of Breakeven point in economics (4marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain the following term as used in production economics
- i. Marginal physical product (MPP) (2marks)
 - ii. Average physical product (APP) (2marks)
 - iii. Constant return to scale (2marks)
- b) Outline any four characteristics of a perfect competition form of a market structure (4marks)

QUESTION SIX

- a) Outline any four weaknesses of a monopoly (4marks)
- b) Given a monopolist demand function in the form;

$$Q = 100 - 2P$$

The cost function given as;

$$50 + 40Q$$

Required:

Determine the profit maximizing levels of price and output for the monopolist if price is given as; **$P=50-0.5Q$** (6marks)