

## UNIVERSITI KUALA LUMPUR MALAYSIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

# FINAL EXAMINATION JANUARY 2016 SEMESTER

COURSE CODE

: IGB 13203

**COURSE NAME** 

: INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMICS

PROGRAMME NAME

: BACHELOR OF BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY (HONS) IN

COMPUTER ENTREPRENEURIAL MANAGEMENT

DATE

: 18 MAY 2016

TIME

: 2.00 pm - 4.30 pm

DURATION

: 2.5 HOURS

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Please CAREFULLY read the instructions given in the question paper.
- 2. This question paper has information printed on both sides of the paper.
- 3. This question paper consists of TWO (2) sections only; Section A and Section B
- 4. Answer ALL questions in Section A and THREE (3) questions in Section B.
- 5. Please write your answers on the answer booklet provided.
- 6. Answer all questions in English language ONLY.

THERE ARE 6 PAGES OF QUESTIONS, INCLUDING THIS PAGE.

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SECTION A (Total: 40 marks)

INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions.

Please use the answer booklet provided.

#### **Question 1**

In a market characterized by perfect competition, price is determined through the mechanisms of supply and demand. Prices are influenced both by the supply of products from sellers and by the demand for products by buyers.

(a) One of the determinants of demand is the price of other goods such as complementary goods. Discuss what complementary goods are.

(4 marks)

(b) Taking the scenario of reduced car price, explain the effect of demand for petrol. Use appropriate graphs (demand for cars and demand for petrol) to support your explanation.

(6 marks)

#### Question 2

Define a production possibilities curve (PPC) and the FOUR (4) assumptions used to explain the production possibilities curve.

(10 marks)

#### Question 3

The following relations describe daily demand for milk in the Kajang area:

Price (RM) per liter	Quantity (Liter) Demanded		
1.50	125		
2.00	115		
2.50	105		
3.00	95		
3.50	85		

(a) Calculate the demand function

(5 marks)

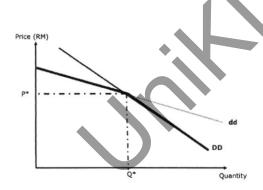
(b) Draw the graph of the demand function

(2 marks)

(c) What is the quantity of milk demanded everyday if the price of the milk is RM5.00 a liter. Show your calculation.

(3 marks)

#### **Question 4**



Kinked Demand Curve in Oligopoly Market Structure

In Oligopoly market structure, there is a concept of kinked demand curve. This happens because of the assumptions in Oligopoly market structure.

(a) The theory of the kinked demand curve is based on **TWO (2)** assumptions. List those assumptions.

(4 marks)

(b) Based on the assumptions, discuss how kinked demand curve could happen.

(6 marks)

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SECTION B (Total: 60 marks)

INSTRUCTION: Answer THREE (3) of the following questions.

Please use the answer booklet provided.

#### Question 5

Market structure refers to the number and distribution size of buyers and sellers in the market of a good and service. Two of the market structure types are Monopolistic Competition and Oligopoly. Contrast these two types of market structure in terms of their definition and their characteristics.

(20 marks)

#### Question 6

The main goal or objective of a firm is to maximize profit and to minimize cost. The two ways to determine the equilibrium of a firm are Total Approach and Marginal Approach methods. Differentiate both methods for both under Perfect Market and under Imperfect Market.

(Hints: There should be 4 graphs that need to be explained)

(20 marks)

### Question 7

The following table shows cost information for a firm.

Units of	Fixed	Variable Cost	Total	Marginal	Average
Output	Cost	Cost	Cost	Cost	Total Cost
0	15				Div/0
5	15				7.40
12	15				4.92
21	15				3.86
31	15				3.32
40	15				3.13
48	15				3.06
55	15				3.07
61	15				3.13
66	15				3.23
70	15				3.36
73	15				3.52
75	15				3.72
76	15				3.96
76	15				4.25
75	15				4.60

- (a) At each level of production, calculate the:
  - i. Variable cost

(5 marks)

ii. Total cost

(5 marks)

iii. Marginal cost

(5 marks)

(b) Draw ones single graph to show the marginal cost, average fix cost, average variable cost and average total cost (use X axis as Output and Y axis as the marginal cost and average total cost)

(5 marks)

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#### **Question 8**

Explain the following based on your knowledge on the law of demand. Support your answers with suitable diagrams.

(a) Secret Recipe experienced a 30% decrease of their sales due to the news stating that their products are non-halal.

(4 marks)

(b) Maria gets a promotion and gains a 15% increase in her salary and decides to reward herself by purchasing a new Poh Kong bracelet.

(4 marks)

(c) Due to potential problems with its breaking system, Volkswagen has experienced a decline in sales of its *Passat* cars.

(4 marks)

(d) Many young parents take advantage of Baby Kiko's 3-day 70% discount sale in the local shopping mall recently.

(4 marks)

(e) When the price of *nasi lemak* unexpectedly rises, many consumers choose to purchase *roti canai* instead for breakfast.

(4 marks)

**END OF EXAMINATION PAPER**