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P.E.S. College of Engineering, Mandya - 571 401
 (An Autonomous Institution affiliated to VTU, Belgaum)
Sixth Semester, B.E. – Industrial and Production Engineering
Semester End Examination; June - 2016
Economics for Engineers

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting ONE full question from each unit.

UNIT - I

- 1 a. What are the general questions that might encounter in an engineering design maker? Explain. 6
- b. Explain interest from the point of view of a vender and borrower. 6
- c. What will be the amount accumulated by each of these present investments?
 - i) Rs. 6750 in 20 yrs at 4% compounded semi-annually. 8
 - ii) Rs. 11,000 in 10 years at 12% compounded quarterly.
- 2 a. With a block diagram explain the problem solving process in engineering economics. 6
- b. Explain tactics and strategy with an example. 8
- c. Determine the effective interest rate for a nominal annual rate of 6% that is compounded : 6
 - i) Semi-annually
 - ii) Quarterly.

UNIT - II

- 3 a. List the conditions of PW comparisons. 4
- b. Machine X has a first cost of Rs. 9000/- and no salvage value at the end of 6 years of useful life and an operating cost of Rs. 5000/-. Machine Y costs Rs. 16,000/- now and has an expected resale value of Rs. 4000/- at the end of its life of 9 years, operating cost of machine Y is Rs. 4000/- per year. Compare the two alternations on the basis of their present worth at 10% annual interest use CFD for your analysis. 10
- c. Two machines perform the same functions. First machine has a cost of Rs. 9500/- relatively higher operating cost of Rs. 1900 per year more than those of second machine and short life of 4 years. The second machine Rs. 25,100 and can be kept in service economically for 8 years. The scrap value from either machine at the end of its life will barely cover its removal cost. Which is preferred when the minimum attractive rate of return (MARR) is 8%? Use EAW (E and C) comparison method. 6
- 4 a. Explain the NPW method of PW comparison. 4
- b. Auto con company is evaluating three robots for possible use in its assembly operations. Only one robot will be purchased. Data associated with these robots are as follows : 10

	Robot A	Robot B	Robot C
First Cost \$	55,000	58,000	53,000
Operating and maintenance cost, \$	3000/yr	4500/yr	4000/yr
Expected Income, \$	40,000/yr	44,000/yr	38,000/yr
Estimated salvage value, \$	4000	6000	4000

Assuming a technologies life of 3 years and desired interest rate of 12%, which robot seems to be preferable on the basis of PW comparison. Use CFD for your analysis.

- c. Two abrasive wheel cutters A and B have both a life of 4 years and the minimum attractive rate of return is 15% which cutter has the lowest equivalent annual cost?

	Cutter A	Cutter B
First Cost	Rs. 5000	Rs. 3200
Annual Operating Cost	Rs. 780	Rs. 950
Salvage value	Rs. 1000	Rs. NIL

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UNIT - III

- 5 a. Explain : 6
- i) IRR ii) MARR
- b. Explain the physical causes of Depreciation. 6
- c. A machine cost Rs. 4.8 Lakhs and has a life of 8 years with a salvage value of Rs. 80,000. Determine ; 8
- i) Depreciation charge using straight line method.
- ii) Depreciation charge using double declining balance method.
- iii) Book value of the machine at the end of each year using double declining balance method.
6. a. State the misconceptions of IRR. 4
- b. Explain the functional causes of depreciation. 6
- c. A machine was purchased for Rs. 60,000 and its estimated salvage value is Rs. 20,000 after 10 yrs of life. Compute : 10
- i) Depreciation fund after 5 years, using straight line method.
- ii) Book value after three years under declining balance method.

UNIT - IV

- 7 a. Explain : 6
- i) Dependent alternatives
- ii) Independent alternatives.
- b. State the consequences of inflation. 6

- c. A machine cost Rs. 20,000/- in new condition. The anticipated operating costs and salvage value for seven years are as given below:

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Operating Cost (Rs)	2000	2300	2600	3000	3400	3900	4000
Resale value (Rs)	18,000	17,200	16,500	16,100	15,700	15,500	15,300

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Work out when it is advisable to consider the replacement of the machine with a new one.

- 8 a. Explain Independent Alternatives. 4
 b. What are the reasons replacements? Explain. 8
 c. The maintenance cost and resale value per year of a machine whose purchase price is Rs. 7000 is given below :

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Maintenance Cost (Rs.)	900	1200	1600	2100	2800	3700	4700	5900
Resale Value (Rs)	4000	2000	1200	600	500	400	400	400

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When should the machine replaced?

UNIT - V

- 9 a. Write the procedure for calculating the standard coding. 6
 b. The market price if a machine tool is Rs. 5,00,000. The material cost is Rs. 40,000 and the labour cost is four times the material cost. If the selling and distribution cost is 25% of the factory cost, and the factory overheads are 50% of labour cost. Determine the total cost of the machine tool produced. If the company offers a discount of 20% on the selling price, find whether the company is making profit or loss. 8
 c. List the advantages and limitations of BE chart. 6
 10a. Briefly explain the components of cost. 6
 b. With a neat sketch explain the B.E. chart. 6
 c. A firm has a rated capacity to manufacture 1,00,000 Castings in a year. Presently it is making only 55,000 units for which the costs are as follows :
- i) Fixed production cost = Rs. 13,75,000 ii) Variable production cost = Rs. 16,50,000
 - iii) Direct material cost = Rs. 19,25,000 iv) Direct Labour cost = Rs. 11,00,000
 - v) Fixed sales expenses= Rs. 5,50,000 vi) Variable sales expenses = Rs. 4,40,000

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The selling price of the die casting is Rs. 155 per unit.

Find:

- I) Profit / loss at present level of production
- II) B.E.P.
- III) Profit / Loss at rated capacity.