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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ECONOMICS**

SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2017

16PEC2MC04 - ECONOMETRICS

Date: 26-04-2017 Time: 01:00-04:00 Dept. No.

Max.: 100 Marks

PART A

Answer any FIVE questions in about 75 words each

- 1. Define Econometrics.
- 2. What is Autocorrelation?
- 3. Distinguish between conditional expected values and unconditional expected values.
- 4. What is Stochastic Disturbance term?
- 5. What is a Dummy variable trap? How to avoid it?
- 6. Differentiate a distributed-lag model from an autoregressive model.
- 7. What are the steps involved in estimating Indirect Least Squares?

PART B

Answer any FOUR questions in about 300 words each

- 8. Explain the methodology of Econometrics.
- 9. State and prove the Gauss-Markov Theorem.
- 10. Consider the following regression model where neither Y nor X assumes zero value

$$\frac{1}{\gamma_i} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \left(\frac{1}{\chi_i}\right) + u_i$$

a) Is this a linear regression model?

- b) How would you estimate this model?
- 11. Explain the guidelines for choosing appropriate functional forms.
- 12. What is Heteroscedasticity? What are the reasons for Heteroscedasticity?
- 13. Show the bias involved in the direct application of least squares method in the Demand and Supply model.
- 14. Explain the features of 2SLS.

PART C

Answer any TWO questions in about 1200 words each

- 15. Do the units in which the regressand and regressor(s) are measured make any difference in the regression results? Explain how the regression model changes if the scale of measurement are changed.
- 16. Explain how the Generalized Least Squares method is capable of producing estimators that are BLUE.
- 17. Enumerate the consequences of errors of measurement in the dependent variable and the independent variable.
- 18. Explain the Koyck's approach to distributed-lag model.

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