LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ECONOMICS**

FIRST SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2015

EC 1500 - MICRO ECONOMICS - I

Date: 11/09/2015	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 01:00-04:00		

PART - A

Answer any FIVE questions not exceeding 75 words each.

(5x4=20 marks)

- 1. Define 'Economic Theory'.
- 2. State the assumptions of Law of Demand.
- 3. State the limitations of cardinal utility analysis.
- 4. Distinguish between micro and macro economics.
- 5. What do you mean by Production Function?
- 6. What is meant by market Period?
- 7. What is meant by product differentiation?

PART - B

Answer any FOUR questions in about 300 words each.

(4x10 = 40 marks)

- 8. Briefly explain the nature of economics laws.
- 9. Bring out the limitations of price mechanism in a competitive economy'
- 10. Bring out in brief the properties of Indifference Curves.
- 11. Briefly explain the law of returns to Scale.
- 12. What is an Isoproduct Curve?
- 13. Why should long period Normal Price should be equal to minimum average costs in the industry?
- 14. Explain the main features of Monopolistic Competition.

PART - C

Answer any TWO questions in about 900 words each.

 $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 15. Explain the concept of Price Elasticity of Demand and examine the various methods of its measurement.
- 16. Differentiate between income effect and substitution effect caused by the changes in the price of a commodity.
- 17. Discuss the nature of the short run and long run average cost curves. Why is the long run cost curve flatter than the short run cost curve?
- 18. State and show in diagrams the conditions of long run equilibrium of firm and industry under perfect competition.

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