## M.A. ECONOMICS PROGRAMME

## SEM-II-CC-9-STATISTICAL METHODS QUESTION BANK (MODEL QUESTIONS)

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## LONG QUESTIONS

## Module 1

1. The following table gives the marks obtained by a set of 140 students in a certain examination. Calculate the average marks per student.

| Marks | Cumulative <br> frequency c.f. |
| :---: | :---: |
| More than 10 | 140 |
| More than 20 | 133 |
| More than 30 | 118 |
| More than 40 | 100 |
| More than 50 | 75 |
| More than 60 | 45 |
| More than 70 | 25 |
| More than 80 | 9 |
| More than 90 | 2 |
| More than 100 | 0 |

2. Calculate the standard deviation and coefficient of variance from the following data:

| Size of item | Frequency |
| :---: | :---: |
| 6 | 3 |
| 7 | 6 |
| 8 | 9 |
| 9 | 13 |
| 10 | 8 |
| 11 | 5 |
| 12 | 4 |

3. Discuss the different methods of sampling techniques. Which method of sampling is more reliable?
4. Explain median as a measure of central tendency. Also discuss its merits and demerits.

## Module 2

1. Calculate Coefficient of Correlation between the values of X and Y .

| Values of X | Values of Y |
| :---: | :---: |
| 50 | 11 |
| 50 | 13 |
| 55 | 14 |
| 60 | 16 |
| 65 | 16 |
| 65 | 15 |
| 65 | 15 |
| 60 | 14 |
| 60 | 13 |
| 50 | 13 |

2. What is correlation? Discuss its different types. Also explain the relevance of a correlation coefficient
3. From the following data, obtain the two regression equations using the method of Least Squares.

| $\mathbf{X}$ | $\mathbf{Y}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 5 |
| 4 | 7 |
| 6 | 9 |
| 8 | 8 |
| 10 | 11 |

## Module 3

1. "Fisher's index number is considered as an ideal index number." Discuss.
2. The following data relate to the prices and quantities of 4 commodities in the years 1982 and 1983. Construct the Laspeyre's and Paasche's Index numbers for the year 1983 taking 1982 as the Base year.

|  | 1982 |  | 1983 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Commodity | Price | Quantity | Price | Quantity |
| A | 5 | 100 | 6 | 150 |
| B | 4 | 80 | 5 | 100 |


| C | 2.5 | 60 | 5 | 72 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D | 12.0 | 30 | 9 | 33 |

## Module 4

1. Define Binomial and Normal distribution; also find its mean and variance.
2. i) State and explain the concept of conditional probability.
ii)Four cards are drawn at random from a pack. Find the probability that they are a King, a Queen, a Jack and an Ace?

## Module 5

1. What is a hypothesis? Explain the various steps involved in hypothesis testing.
2. What do you understand by an estimator? State and explain desirable properties of a good estimator.

## Module 6

1. Explain the different components of a Time-Series Data.
2. Estimate the trend value using the data given below by taking a four-yearly moving average :

| Year | Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1964 | 12 |
| 1965 | 25 |
| 1966 | 39 |
| 1967 | 54 |
| 1968 | 70 |
| 1969 | 87 |
| 1970 | 105 |
| 1971 | 100 |
| 1972 | 82 |
| 1973 | 65 |
| 1974 | 49 |
| 1975 | 34 |
| 1976 | 20 |
| 1977 | 7 |

## SHORT QUESTIONS

## Module 1

1. Distinguish between Census and Sampling Method.
2. Discuss the merits and demerits of measure of dispersion.
3. Discuss Karl Pearson's Coefficient of Skewness.

## Module 2

1. Prove that the coefficient of correlation lies between $(-1)$ and $(+1)$.
2. What do you mean by regression? State the properties of regression coefficients.
3. Two judges in a beauty contest rank the 10 entries as follows:

| Entries | Judge 1 | Judge 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 1 | 6 |
| B | 6 | 8 |
| C | 3 | 3 |
| D | 9 | 7 |
| E | 5 | 2 |
| F | 2 | 1 |
| G | 7 | 5 |
| H | 10 | 9 |
| I | 8 | 4 |
| J | 4 | 10 |

Determine Spearman's rank correlation coefficient.

## Module 3

1. Define Index Numbers. Discuss its uses.
2. Write a note on Cost of Living Index Numbers.

## Module 4

1. Explain the Addition theorem of Probability.
2. Define Poisson Distribution and discuss its properties.

## Module 5

1. Distinguish between Null and Alternative Hypothesis.
2. Explain the concept of one-tailed and two-tailed test as used in hypothesis testing

Module 6

1. Define Time Series. Explain the utility of Time Series Analysis.
2. Distinguish between linear and non-linear trend.
