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B.M.S. College of Engineering, Bengaluru-560019

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Programme: B.E.

Semester: VI

Branch: Institutional Elective

Duration: 3 hrs.

Course Code: 23CH6OEOPR / 22CH6OEOPR

Max Marks: 100

Course: Operations Research

Instructions:

1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each Unit.
2. Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.
3. Use of statistical tables is permitted.

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1	a)	Briefly discuss the scope of operation research and enlist its phases.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO11</i>	08																														
	b)	Solve the LPP by graphical method $\text{Max } Z = 20 x_1 + 10 x_2$ Constraints : $x_1 + 2 x_2 \leq 40 ; 3x_1 + x_2 \geq 40 ; 4x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 60 ; x_1, x_2 \geq 0 ;$	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO11</i>	12																														
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2	a)	A paper mill produces two grade paper namely 40 grams per square meter regular paper (X) and 100 grams per square meter bond paper (Y), due to raw material restrictions, it cannot produce more than 400 tons of grade X and 300 tons of grade Y in a week. There are 160 production hours in a week. It requires 0.2 and 0.4 hours to produce a ton of products X and Y, respectively with corresponding profits of Rs.2000 and Rs.5000 per ton. Formulate the above as a LPP to maximize the profit and find the optimum product mix.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO11</i>	08																														
	b)	Use the graphical method to solve the following linear programming problem. Minimize $Z = 3x_1 + 2x_2$ subject to the constraints are $5x_1 + x_2 \geq 10 ; x_1 + x_2 \geq 6 ; x_1 + 4x_2 \geq 12$; and $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO11</i>	12																														
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3	a)	The owner of a small machine shop has four mechanics available to assign jobs for the day. Five jobs are offered with expected profit for each mechanic on each job, which are as follows:	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO11</i>	08																														
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Important Note: Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.

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