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

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May / June 2025 Semester End Main Examinations

Programme: B.E.

Semester: VIII

Branch: Civil Engineering

Duration: 3 hrs.

Course Code: 21CV8HSCEP

Max Marks: 100

Course: Construction Project Management, Economics and Professional Ethics

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 discrete compounding interest factor tables is permitted.

UNIT - I				<i>CO</i>	<i>PO</i>	Marks																																				
1	a)	Elucidate on the significance and functions of project management and its organization.		<i>COI</i>	<i>POI</i> 1	10																																				
	b)	Discuss the concept and advantages of work-break down structure considering an example of a construction project.		<i>COI</i>	<i>POII</i>	10																																				
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2	a)	Explain the elements of a network diagram and mention any three common errors in them.		<i>COI</i>	<i>POII</i>	10																																				
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	b)	Compare CPM and PERT for its merits and demerits.		<i>COI</i>	<i>POII</i>	05																																				

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.

	c)	<p>A building project consists of 10 activities. Draw the network diagram. Determine the critical path of the network and compute the total floats.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Activity</th><th>Duration in days</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1—2</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>2—3</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>2—4</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>3—5</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>3—6</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>4—5</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>4—7</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>5—8</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr><td>6—8</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>7—8</td><td>2</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Activity	Duration in days	1—2	5	2—3	2	2—4	6	3—5	4	3—6	4	4—5	2	4—7	3	5—8	7	6—8	8	7—8	2	CO1		10																					
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	b)	<p>The construction project with the three time estimates of each event is given in table below. Construct the network diagram. Determine: a) Critical path and its standard deviation b) Probability of completion of project in 35 weeks. c). Projected time of completion of the project with 95% probability.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Event</th> <th colspan="3">Time estimates in weeks</th> </tr> <tr> <th>t_o</th> <th>t_m</th> <th>t_p</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1-2</td><td>3</td><td>6</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>1-6</td><td>2</td><td>5</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>2-3</td><td>6</td><td>12</td><td>18</td></tr> <tr><td>2-4</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>3-5</td><td>8</td><td>11</td><td>14</td></tr> <tr><td>4-5</td><td>3</td><td>7</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>6-7</td><td>3</td><td>9</td><td>15</td></tr> <tr><td>5-8</td><td>2</td><td>4</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>7-8</td><td>8</td><td>16</td><td>18</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Event	Time estimates in weeks			t_o	t_m	t_p	1-2	3	6	9	1-6	2	5	8	2-3	6	12	18	2-4	4	5	6	3-5	8	11	14	4-5	3	7	11	6-7	3	9	15	5-8	2	4	6	7-8	8	16	18	CO1		14
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	b)	Explain the method and stages of cost controlling in construction.	CO2	PO11	10																																											

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	b)	A company has to replace a present facility after 15 years at an outlay of Rs. 6, 00,000/-. It plans to deposit an equal amount at the end of every year for the next 15 years at an interest rate of 15% compounded annually. Find the equivalent amount that must be deposited at the end of every year for the next 15 years.		CO2	PO11																			
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	b)	An automobile manufacturing company is planning to expand its production operation. It has identified three different technologies for meeting the goal. The initial outlay and annual revenue with respect to each of the technologies are given in the table below. Suggest the best technology to be implemented based on Present worth method of comparison assuming 20% interest rate, compounded annually.		CO2	PO11																			
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	b)	Discuss on how important professional ethics to today's world considering a case study.		CO2	PO11																			
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10	a)	Demonstrate any five forms of unethical practices in construction Industry.		CO2	PO11																			
	b)	With two examples, discuss the cases of breach of professional responsibility in construction industry.		CO2	PO11																			