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FINAL YEAR B.Com. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2003

Part III—Commerce

Paper II—BUSINESS STATISTICS

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

Answers may be written either in English or in Malayalam.

Part A

Answer any ten questions.

Each question carries 2 marks.

1. What is meant by classification ?
2. Name the different types of diagrams.
3. Define Less than Ogive curve.
4. Give the formula for weighted arithmetic mean.
5. What is the difference between Standard deviation and Mean deviation ?
6. What is skewness ?
7. If $\mu_2 = 2.5$, $\mu_3 = 0.7$, $\mu_4 = 18.75$, find a measure of kurtosis.
8. What is rank correlation ?
9. Give the two regression equations.
10. What are the methods to study seasonal variations ?
11. Write Laspeyre's and Paasche's index number formula.
12. What is a multistage sample ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Part B

Answer any ten questions.

Each question carries 5 marks.

13. Explain Distrust of Statistics.
14. Describe a frequency polygon and a frequency curve, with illustration.
15. What are the merits of mean ?
16. Discuss the limitations of quartile deviation.
17. Explain the properties of coefficient of correlation.
18. Briefly explain the moving average method to study trend.
19. The population of a country increased by 20 % in the first decade, 30 % in the second decade and 45 % in the third decade. What is the average rate of increase per decade in the population ?

Turn over

20. X : 2 4 6 8 10
f : 1 4 6 4 1

Find the mean deviation from mean.

21.

	X	Y
No. of observations	15	15
Mean	25	18
Sum of squares of deviation from the mean	136	138

Sum of the product of deviations of X and Y series from their mean = 122. Find the correlation coefficient.

22. Calculate the cost of living index from the following data :—

Item	Price		Weights
	Base year	Current year	
Food	39	47	4
Fuel	8	12	1
Clothing	14	18	3
House rent	12	15	2
Miscellaneous	25	30	1

23. 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1990
20 24 22 30 28 32

Apply the method of semi-averages to measure trend.

24. Explain Quota Sampling method.

(10 × 5 = 50)

Part C

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

25. Discuss the different methods of collecting primary data.

26. 0—20 20—40 40—60 60—80 80—100
13 25 27 19 16

Calculate the Karl Pearson coefficient of skewness.

27. X : 50 60 70 80 90
Y : 32 74 129 169 200

Find the value of Y when $x = 65$.

(2 × 15 = 30)