2019

M.Phil.

2nd Semester Examination

ECONOMICS.

Paper - ECO 121

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Group - A

1. Answer any *two* questions from the following: $5\times2=10$

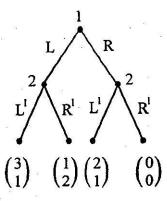
- (a) Explain, with a suitable diagram, how output is determined in a Cournot duopoly model. 5
- (b) Pareto optimal situation will remain unattainable, if initial distribution of resources is not conducive to the attainment of Pareto optimality even when there exists perfect competition in all relevant markets.

[Turn Over]

- (c) State the axioms of utility function. Justify whether the Stone-Geary utility function satisfies these axioms or not.
- (d) Find out the values of own price, cross price and income elasticities for Cobb-Douglas type utility function.
- 2. Answer any *one* question from the following: $10 \times 1 = 10$
 - (a) What happens when the number of firms increases indefinitely in a Cournot model. 10
 - (b) What do you mean by externality? What are the different types of externality? For any one of them show how market system fails to attain Pareto optimal situation. 2+3+5

Group - B

- 3. Answer any *two* questions from the following : $5\times2=10$
 - (a) (i) Why do we use game theory in Economics? Give some examples.
 - (ii) Differentiate between normal form game and extensive form game. Rewrite the following extensive form game in normal form:



2+3

- (b) What is risk premium?
- (c) What are the different measures of risk? 5
- (d) Discuss briefly the trade-off between risk and return in selecting a portfolio.
- 4. Answer any *one* question from the following: $10 \times 1 = 10$
 - (a) (i) Distinguish between partial equilibrium and general equilibrium.
 - (ii) State and prove the Walras Law of general equilibrium. What are the features of this equilibrium? 2+5+3

[Turn Over]

(b) Graphically find out and explain the Nash equilibrium of the following game: 10

		В	
		Opera	Fight
Α	Opera	2, 1	0,0
	Fight	0, 0	1, 2

[Internal Assessment: 10 Marks]