

**A- COURSE OF MATHEMATICS**

TIME ALLOWED: 3 hours

PAPER: **A**

MAX. MARKS: 100

Attempt **SIX** questions by selecting **TWO** questions from Sections - I, **TWO** from Section - II, **ONE** from Section - III and **ONE** from Section - IV

**SECTION - I**

1. a) Find the values of 'a' and 'b' so that f is continuous and differentiable at 9  
 $x = 1$  where  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ ax + b & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$
- b) Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \left[ \frac{1}{x} \right], \left[ \dots \right]$  being the bracket function.
2. a) Differentiate  $\log_{10} \left( \frac{x+1}{x} \right)$  with respect to x. 9  
 b) Use the Newton - Raphson method to approximate upto four places of decimal, root of  $x^3 - 5x + 3 = 0$  with  $x_0 = 0$ . 8
3. a) Show that  $\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left( \frac{\ln x}{x} \right) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}} \left[ \ln x - 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \dots - \frac{1}{n} \right]$  9  
 b) If f is a thrice differentiable function, prove by L' Hospital's Rule that 8  

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x) - hf'(x) - \frac{h^2}{2} f''(x)}{h^3} = \frac{f'''(x)}{6}$$
4. a) If  $x > 0$  prove that  $x - \ln(1+x) > \frac{x^2}{2(1+x)}$  9  
 b) Prove that under certain conditions (to be stated) 8  
 $f(a+h) = f(a) + hf'(a+\theta h)$ , where  $0 < \theta < 1$ . Prove also that the  
 limiting value of  $\theta$ , when h decreases infinitely, is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

**SECTION - II**

5. a) If a tangent to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , with centre "C" meets 9  
 the major and minor axes in T and t, prove that  $\frac{a^2}{CT^2} + \frac{b^2}{ct^2} = 1$ .  
 b) Show that the curves  $r^m = a^m \cos m\theta$  and  $r^m = a^m \sin m\theta$  cut each other 8  
 orthogonally.
6. a) Show that the locus of the middle points of a system of parallel chords of 9  
 the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  is  $y = \frac{-b^2}{a^2 m} x$  where m is slope of the chords.  
 b) Examine whether the equation  $2x^2 - xy + 5x - 2y + 2 = 0$  represents two 8  
 straight lines. If so find equation of each straight line.
7. a) Find the equation of the perpendicular from the point P (1, 6, 3) to the 9  
 straight line  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-2}{3}$ . Also obtain its length and coordinates of  
 the foot of the perpendicular.  
 b) Prove that the straight lines  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-3} = \frac{z+10}{8}$  and 8  
 $\frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y+3}{-4} = \frac{z+1}{7}$  intersect. Also find the point of intersection and the  
 plane through them.

8. a) Find the shortest distance between the straight line joining the points A(3, 2, -4) and B(1, 6, -6) and the straight line joining the points C(-1, 1, -2) and D(-3, 1, -6). Also find equations of the line of shortest distance and coordinates of the feet of the common perpendicular. 9
- b) Show that an equation of the cylinder whose generators are parallel to z-axis and which passes through the curve  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ ,  $x + y + z = 1$  is  $x^2 + y^2 + xy - x - y = 0$ . 8

**SECTION - III**

- a) A dome is in the shape of a hemisphere with radius 60 ft. The dome is to be painted with a layer of 0.01 inch thickness. Use differentials to estimate the amount of the paint required. 8
- b) Prove that the intrinsic equation of the cycloid  $x = a(\theta + \sin\theta)$ ,  $y = a(1 - \cos\theta)$  is  $S = 4a \sin\psi$ . 8
10. a) Prove that the least perimeter of an isosceles triangle in which a circle of radius 'r' can be inscribed is  $6r\sqrt{3}$ . 8
- b) Find the point on the curve  $y = \ln x$  where the curvature k is maximum. 8

**SECTION - IV**

11. Evaluate  $\int \frac{dx}{(x-1)\sqrt{x^2+1}}$  8
- b) Calculate  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \ln(\sin x) dx$  8
12. a) Evaluate  $\int_a^b x^2 dx$  by definition. 8
- b) Evaluate  $\int_0^{\pi/3} \sin^2 6x \cos^4 3x dx$ . 8