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**DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & CERTIFICATE IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT  
(DBM & CBM)**

**COURSE CODE: DIB 1111 & CIB 0101  
TECHNIQUES**

**COURSE TITLE: QUANTITATIVE**

**DATE: 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2016**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES**

**THIS PAPER CONSIST OF FOUR QUESTIONS**

Question one (1) is Compulsory

Answer Any Other Two (2) Questions

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## QUESTION ONE

- a) Explain four roles of Quantitative Methods in any business enterprise. (5marks)
- b) Discuss four areas where Quantitative Methods are used. (4marks)
- c) Solve the following inequalities and show all the integral values of the solution on a number line.
- i)  $\frac{1}{2}x - 2 \leq 1$  (3marks)  
 $-3x - 9 > -6$
- ii)  $3x - 1 > -4$  (3marks)  
 $2x + 1 \leq 7$
- iii)  $3x - 2 \leq -4 < -2x$  (3marks)
- d) Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^2 - 4 \div x^2 - 5x + 6$  where  $x \rightarrow 2$  (4marks)
- e) Calculate gradient, x and y intercept of a line that passes through (2,6) and (6,14) (5marks)
- f) Sketch the graph of the following equations.
- i)  $y = -5 + 6$
- ii)  $3x + 6y = 12$  (6marks)

## QUESTION TWO

- a) Given  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x + 10$  find;
- i.  $f(0)$
- ii.  $f(1)$
- iii.  $f(2)$
- iv.  $f(3)$
- v.  $f(-4)$  (5marks)
- b) Explain the following types of sets
- i) Universal sets
- ii) Sub-set
- iii) Null set
- iv) Compliment of a set
- v) Disjoint sets (5marks)
- c) A survey was carried out by a local chamber of commerce. One of the aims being to discover to what extent computers were being used by the firms in the industry. The following were the findings;
- 32 firms had both stock control & payroll computers.
- 65 firms had one of these two functions computerized.
- 90 firms had computerized payroll.
- 22 firms had neither of these two functions computerized.
- Use set theory to elucidate how many firms were included in the survey. (10marks)

## QUESTION THREE

- a) A manufacturer has found that if he wants to increase his output he must lower his price. His total revenue (R) from output x is given by the expression  $R = x(148 - x)$  while his production costs are £ 1,000 fixed and £ 36 per unit variable and the total cost  $C = 1,000 + 36x$
- Required:
- i) Find the output that would maximize revenue. (3marks)
- ii) The maximum revenue (3marks)

- iii) The profit  $P$  in terms of the number of units  $x$  (3marks)  
iv) The output  $x$ , that would maximize profit. (3marks)

b) Solve the values of the unknowns from the following problem using inverse method.

(i)  $2x_1 + 3x_2 = 7$

$$x_1 + 5x_2 = 14$$

(ii)  $5x + 9y = -30$

$$6x + 2y = 28$$

(8marks)

#### QUESTION FOUR

- a) Compute the present value of an annuity of £1000 p.a received for 10 years when the discount rate is 8%. (3marks)
- b) Calculate the present value of £16000 received in 10 years time with a discount rate of 12% (3marks)
- c) How much will £6000 amount to at 12% compound interest over 6 years? (4marks)
- d) Compute the value of the 10<sup>th</sup> term and the sum of first 12 terms of the A.P 4, 9, 14, 19... (4marks)
- e) Compute the value of 11<sup>th</sup> term and the sum of the first 20 terms of the G.P 2, 4, 8, 16... (4marks)
- f) Distinguish between simple interest and compound interest. (2marks)