

**Credit Based I Semester B.Com. Degree  
Examination, November/December 2015  
(2014-15 Batch Onwards)**

**COMMERCE**

**Business Statistics and Mathematics**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- Instructions :** 1) **Non-programmable** calculators **may be used.**  
2) **Logarithm tables will be provided on request.**  
3) **Provide working notes wherever necessary.**

SECTION – A

Answer any four.

**(4×4=16)**

1. Define "Average". What are the desirable qualities of an ideal average ?
2. Write the causes for decreasing utility of S.D. and C.V.
3. Write a note on application of Index number.
4. Find the matrix  $2A + 3B - 4I$ , if ;

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

5. Evaluate the following determinant :  $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & -3 \end{vmatrix}.$
6. Compute the arithmetic mean from the following :

$x \div$	53	58	63	68	73	78
$f \div$	10	22	44	14	08	02



SECTION - B

Answer four.

(4×8=32)

7. What are the important steps involved in constructing the cost of living Index numbers ?
8. For the following distribution of marks of students, find the median and mode :

Class	Frequency
10 - 19	08
20 - 29	19
30 - 39	29
40 - 49	36
50 - 59	25
60 - 69	13
70 - 79	04

9. Construct index numbers of price from the following data by applying :
  - a) Laspeyres method
  - b) Paasche method and
  - c) Fisher's method.

Commodity	2012		2013	
	Price	Quantity	Price	Quantity
A	2	8	4	6
B	5	10	6	5
C	4	14	5	10
D	2	19	2	13



10. Compute standard deviation and its co-efficient for the following data :

Age (years)	No. of employees
20 – 25	170
25 – 30	110
30 – 35	80
35 – 40	45
40 – 45	40
45 – 50	30
50 – 55	25

11. If,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  prove that  $A^2 - 4A + 3I = 0$ .

12. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & (x-5) & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  is a singular matrix. Find the value of x.

SECTION – C

Answer two.

(2×16=32)

13. Find the geometric mean and harmonic mean of the following distribution.

Daily wages (Rs.)	No. of workers
110 – 120	03
120 – 130	25
130 – 140	34



Daily wages (Rs.)	No. of workers
140 – 150	38
150 – 160	25
160 – 170	15
170 – 180	10

14. The data given below are the values of shares of two companies during 10 months. Decide which company's shares are more stable.

**A** : 110 108 104 106 112 116 104 100 102 98

**B** : 216 214 210 210 211 214 208 206 208 202

15. Solve the following equations by Cramer's rule :

$$5x - 2y - 3z = 17$$

$$3x - y + z = 15$$

$$x + y - 6z = -13$$

16. Using matrix method solve the equations :

$$x + 2y - 4z = -3$$

$$2x + 6y - 5z = +2$$

$$3x + 11y - 4z = -12.$$