

**SHRIMATHI DEVKUNVAR NANALAL BHATT VAISHNAV COLLEGE FOR  
WOMEN(AUTONOMOUS)**

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**B.Sc. END SEMESTER EXAMINATION APRIL/NOV – 2021**

**SEMESTER - V**

**13USTCT5012 - Operations Research - II**

**Total Duration : 3 Hrs**

MCQ : 30 Mins

Descriptive : 2 Hrs.30 Mins

**Total Marks : 75**

MCQ : 15

Descriptive : 60

**Section B**

Answer any **SIX** questions ( $6 \times 5 = 30$  Marks)

1. Explain briefly the various steps involved in the formulation of primal- dual pair.
2. Obtain the dual problem of the following primal problem:  
Minimize  $z = x_1 - 3x_2 - 2x_3$   
Subject to  $3x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 7$   
 $2x_1 - 4x_2 \geq 12$   
 $-4x_1 + 3x_2 + 8x_3 = 10$ ;  $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$  and  $x_3$  is unrestricted.
3. Explain transportation problem and show that it can be considered as an LPP.
4. Find the initial basic feasible solution to the following transportation problem using least cost method.

	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	Supply
S <sub>1</sub>	11	13	17	14	250
S <sub>2</sub>	16	18	14	10	300
S <sub>3</sub>	21	24	13	10	400
Demand	200	225	275	250	

5. Solve the following assignment problem:

Tasks	Men			
	E	F	G	H
A	18	26	17	11
B	13	28	14	26
C	38	19	18	15
D	19	26	24	10

6. State the rules of network construction.
7. Distinguish between PERT and CPM.
8. A firm is considering replacement of a machine, whose cost price is Rs.12,200 and the scrap value Rs.200. The running cost in rupees are found from experience to be as follows:

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Running cost	200	500	800	1200	1800	2500	3200	4000

When should the machine be replaced?

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## Section C

Answer any **THREE** questions ( $3 \times 10 = 30$  Marks)

9. Use dual simplex method to solve the following LPP:

Minimize  $z = 3x_1 + x_2$

subject to  $x_1 + x_2 \geq 1$

$2x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 2, \quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0.$

10. Find the optimal solution to the following transportation problem:

Source	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	Supply
1	21	16	25	13	11
2	17	18	14	23	13
3	32	27	18	41	19
Demand	6	10	12	15	43

11. Explain the nature of travelling salesman problem and give its mathematical formulation.

12. A project consist of eight activities with the following relevant information:

Activity	Immediate predecessor	Estimated duration (days)		
		Optimistic	Most likely	Pessimistic
A	----	1	1	7
B	----	1	4	7
C	----	2	2	8
D	A	1	1	1
E	B	2	5	14
F	C	2	5	8
G	D, E	3	6	15
H	F, G	1	2	3

Draw the PERT network and find out the expected project completion time.

13. Develop a model for the replacement of items whose maintenance costs increase with time and value of money remains same during the period.