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M.Sc. END SEMESTER EXAMINATION APRIL/NOV - 2021

SEMESTER - I

17PAMCT1A01- Algebra - I

<b>Total Duration : 3 Hrs</b>	<b>Total Marks : 75</b>
MCQ : 30 Mins	MCQ : 15
Descriptive : 2 Hrs.30 Mins	Descriptive : 60

Section B

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

1. Prove that  $N(a)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
2. Prove that  $S_n$  is not solvable for  $n \geq 5$ .
3. Prove that any finite abelian group is the direct product (sum) of cyclic groups.
4. If  $A$  is invertible then prove that  $\text{tr}(ACA^{-1}) = \text{tr} C$ .
5. If  $N$  is normal and  $AN = NA$ , then prove that  $AN^* = N^* A$ .
6. Let  $F$  be a finite field; Prove that  $F$  has  $p^m$  elements where the prime number  $p$  is the characteristic of  $F$ .
7. Prove that the general polynomial of degree  $n \geq 5$  is not solvable by radicals.
8. For all  $x, y \in Q$ , prove that  $N(xy) = N(x)N(y)$ .

Section C

Part A

Answer any **TWO** questions ( $2 \times 10 = 20$  Marks)

9. Prove that  $G$  is solvable if and only if  $G^{(k)} = (e)$  for some integer  $k$ .
10. If  $(vT, vT) = (v, v)$  for all  $v \in V$ , then prove that  $T$  is unitary.
11. If  $F$  is a finite field and  $\alpha \neq 0, \beta \neq 0$  are two elements of  $F$   
then we can find elements  $a$  and  $b$  in  $F$  such that  $1 + \alpha a^2 + \beta b^2 = 0$ .
12. Let  $C$  be the field of complex numbers and suppose that the division ring  $D$  is algebraic over  $C$  then prove that  $D = C$ .

Part B

Compulsory question ( $1 \times 10 = 10$  Marks)

13. Prove that if  $a \in H$  then  $a^{-1} \in H$  if and only if  $N(a) = 1$