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MASTER'S DEGREE (C.S.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2025 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 ADMISSIONS SUPPLEMENTARY SEMESTER II - CORE COURSE ECONOMICS

EC2C06TM20 - Microeconomics-II

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 1 weight

(8x1=8)

- 1. What is asymmetric information?
- 2. Explain Coase's concept of a firm.
- 3. Differentiate between hierarchical and non hierarchical firms.
- 4. Why is Marris's model called as long run steady state growth model?
- 5. Write a note on Sylos's Postulate.
- 6. What is the role of money payments and slack payments in conflict resolution.
- 7. What is rent seeking and what are some examples?
- 8. Explain the term "Bound Rationality".
- 9. How Sen's theory of welfare is different from Rawl's welfare theory?
- 10. Explain the properties 2x2x2 model of general equilibrium.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 2 weight

(6x2=12)

- 11. Explain different types of asset specificity giving examples
- 12. Briefly discuss the M-form hypothesis.
- 13. Explain Gordon's attack on Marginalism.
- 14. Critically evaluate Sylos-Labini theory of limit pricing.
- 15. Comment on the "principal agent problem".
- 16. Why are property rights important to help an economy function?
- 17. What is partial equilibrium analysis? Why is it used or employed?
- 18. Explain Bergson criterion of social welfare function.

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

(2x5=10)

- 19. Highlight the significance of M form firms in current business world.
- 20. Explain relevance of the Baumol's sales maximisation model in current world.
- 21. How do Property Rights Affect Externalities and Market Failure?
- 22. Discuss the problem of general equilibrium analysis.