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(MID-SEMESTER EXAMINATION SP/2025)**

**CLASS: BTech
BRANCH: PIE**

**SEMESTER: IV
SESSION: SP/2025**

SUBJECT: PE218 PRODUCTION & OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

TIME: 02 Hours

FULL MARKS: 25

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The question paper contains 5 questions, each of 5 marks and a total of 25 marks.
 2. Attempt all questions.
 3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
 4. Tables/Data handbook/Graph paper etc., if applicable, will be supplied to the candidates
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| Q.1(a) Difference Between Continuous and Intermittent Production Systems? | [2] | 1 | II |
| Q.1(b) The following table shows the average number of customers processed by several repair service units daily. The hourly wage rate is \$25, the overhead rate is 1.0 times the labour cost, and the material cost is \$5 per customer. | [3] | 1 | III |

Unit	A	B	C	D
Employees	4	5	8	3
Customers Processed/Day	36	40	60	20

Compute the labour productivity and the multifactor productivity for each unit. Use an eight-hour day for multifactor productivity. Which service unit has the higher productivity?

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| Q.2(a) What are the main advantages of quantitative forecasting techniques over qualitative techniques? What limitations do quantitative techniques have? | [2] | 2 | II |
| Q.2(b) Explain each approach to developing a forecast. List their specific weaknesses
a. Consumer surveys.
b. Salesforce composite.
c. Committee of managers or executives. | [3] | 2 | II |
| Q.3(a) Briefly discuss and list the advantages and limitations of each of these aggregate planning strategies:
a. Maintain a level output rate and let inventories absorb fluctuations in demand.
b. Subcontracting. | [2] | 2 | II |
| Q.3(b) Obtain the linear trend equation for the following data on new checking accounts at IDFC Bank and use it to predict expected new checking accounts for periods 15 through 18. | [3] | 2 | IV |

Period	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
New Accounts	200	214	211	228	235	232	248
Period	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
New Accounts	250	253	267	281	275	280	288

Q.4(a) Given the following information, set up the aggregate planning problem in a transportation table and solve it for the minimum cost plan. [2] 2 IV

	period		
	1	2	3
Demand	550	700	750
Capacity			
Regular	500	500	500
Overtime	50	50	50
Subcontract	120	120	100
Beginning inventory	100		
Cost			
Regular time	\$60 per unit		
Overtime	80 per unit		
Subcontract	90 per unit		
Inventory carrying cost	\$1 per unit per month		

Q.5(a) What is scheduling, and what are its two significant factors? [2] 3 II

Q.5(b) Given the following cost information, use the assignment method to determine the best way to assign machines to jobs. Compute the total cost for your assignment plan. [3] 3 IV

		Machine			
		A	B	C	D
Job	1	8	6	2	4
	2	6	7	11	10
	3	3	5	7	6
	4	5	10	12	9

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