Ex/M.Sc/M/B-1.36/37/2017

MASTER OF SCIENCE EXAMINATION, 2017

(2nd Year, 1st Semester)

MATHEMATICS

Unit - 3.5 (B-1.36)

(Renewable Bio-economic Modelling - I)

Full Marks : 50

Time : Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Answer Question No. 6 and any *three* questions from the rest.

- (a) Explain the principal results for a common property fishery. Hence give an idea of biological overexploitation.
 - (b) Define Production function and discuss the idea of Cobb-Douglas production function. Hence give an idea for the applicability of Cobb-Douglas production function in the fishery model. 8+8
- Discuss the Faustmann model for forest rotation problem. Give an economic interpretation of the Faustmann formula for the optimal rotation problem. Explain the idea of zerodiscounting and infinite-discounting.

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- 3. With suitable assumption, discuss the Beverton-Holt fishery model and hence show that the total annual yield from all cohorts equals the total lifetime yield from single cohort. 16
- 4. (a) Write down a mathematical model of combined harvesting of two independent fish population and discuss the dynamic behaviour of the model system.
 - (b) A certain forest is divided into three height classes and has a growth matrix

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0\\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If the prices of trees in the second and third class be Rs. 30/- and Rs. 50/- respectively, then which class should be completely harvested to attain optimal sustainable yield ? What is the optimal yield if there are 1000 trees in the forest ? 10+6

- Prove Pantryagin's Maximum Principle in one dimensional control problem. Discuss its applicability to the linear variational problem and explain the idea of Bang-Bang control.
- 6. What do you mean by economic overfishing ? 2

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