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Time: Three hours Maximum: 100 marks

PART A — $(5 \times 6 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any FIVE questions.

- 1. What do you understand by the Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)? Explain.
- 2. What do you mean by Benchmarking? Explain.
- 3. Is JIT responsible for bringing changes in a firm? Explain.
- 4. What are the considerations that should be kept in mind while forming cost audit report? Discuss.
- 5. Discuss Activity cost behavior.
- 6. What do you mean by Activity based responsibility accounting? Explain.
- 7. Discuss quality control in production process.
- 8. Explain various characteristics of strategic position.

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PART B — $(5 \times 10 = 50 \text{ marks})$

Answer any FIVE questions.

- 9. What is "Activity-Based Costing" and "Activity-based Management?' How are the costs of the organization's significant activities accumulated and then assigned to goods or services where activity-based costing is used?
- 10. How does value chain analysis help a firm to gain competitive advantage? Explain.
- 11. Discuss the factors affecting cost management.
- 12. Describe in detail activity based budgeting? Explain zero based budgeting.
- 13. Discuss in detail the steps of tactical decision making.
- 14. What is productivity measurement and discuss the various cost control measures.
- 15. Discuss the benefits and uses of strategic group analysis in business.
- 16. Why quality cost information is needed? Discuss and explain how it is used.
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PART C — $(1 \times 20 = 20 \text{ marks})$

Compulsory.

17. "Balance Score Card is a strategic tool for measuring and evaluating the performance of an organisation". Justify this statement and discuss. Also explain the steps for developing a Balance score card.

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