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SEMESTER I  
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COURSE NAME : PRINCIPLE OF ECONOMICS  
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DURATION : 2 HOURS AND 30 MINUTES  
INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF **FOUR (4)** PAGES

- Q1** State whether the following statements are **TRUE** or **FALSE** and explain your answer.
- (a) Surplus occurs when the quantity demanded is greater than the quantity supplied at certain price. (3 marks)
  - (b) Increased demand with a constant price resulted in increased supply and quantity. (3 marks)
  - (c) In long term price elasticity of supplied is more elastic because more responsive to changes in price since sellers can adjust their production. (3 marks)
  - (d) Income elasticity of demand ( $E_y$ ) is a measure of the degree of responsiveness of changes in the quantity demanded of goods to a change in its price. (3 marks)
  - (e) If the value of income elasticity of demand for goods is negative ( $E_y < 0$ ), the quantity demanded will decrease when income increases. Therefore, the goods is an essential goods. (3 marks)
  - (f) Microeconomics is the branch of economics that analyses the behaviour of how national economies work. (3 marks)
  - (g) Economics is the study of how evenly goods and services are distributed within society (3 marks)
  - (h) Inflationary gap is defined as a situation when real aggregated supply is less than the aggregate supply for employment. (3 marks)
  - (i) When the supply is elastic, the supply curve has a steep slope. (3 marks)
  - (j) Recovery phase of the business cycle is when real GDP reaches its minimum after rising. (3 marks)

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**Q2** The demand and supply function for a good in the market are as follows:

$$Q_d = 60 - 5P$$

$$Q_s = 10P$$

where:

$Q_d$  = Quantity demanded (units)

$Q_s$  = Quantity supplied (units)

P = Price (RM)

- (a) Given the price of an item as in **Table Q2(a)**, find the quantity demanded (in units) and quantity supplied (in units)

**Table Q2 (a)**

Price (RM)
1
2
3
4
5

(5 marks)

- (b) Draw the demand and supply curves.

(5 marks)

- (c) Determine the value of price and equilibrium quantity.

(2 marks)

- (d) Calculate the value of price elasticity of demand at the point of equilibrium.

(4 marks)

- (e) Explain what is inflation and give **TWO (2)** causes of the inflation.

(4 marks)

**Q3** Draw a related figure and explain the effects of equilibrium price and equilibrium quantity in each situation.

- (a) Increased demand

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(4 marks)

- (b) Decreased supply

(4 marks)

- (c) The increase in demand is greater than the increase in supply

(4 marks)

- (d) The decrease in demand is greater than the increase in supply

(4 marks)

**Q4** The demand function and supply function for a good in the market are as follows:

$$Q_d = 140 - 10P$$

$$Q_s = 20 + 10P$$

where:

$Q_d$  = Quantity demanded (units)

$Q_s$  = Quantity supplied (units)

P = Price (RM)

- (a) Given the price of an item as in **Table Q4(a)**, find the quantity demanded (in units) and quantity supplied (in units)

**Table Q4 (a)**

Price (RM)	Price (RM)
1	6
2	7
3	8
4	9
5	10

(10 marks)

- (b) Determine the market equilibrium price and quantity (2 marks)
- (c) Why is the price of RM4 not the equilibrium price? (4 marks)
- (d) Using your answer in (a), draw a graph and determine the market equilibrium price/point. (6 marks)

- Q5** (a) Explain **FOUR (4)** factors that will shift the aggregate demand curve. (8 marks)
- (b) Define business cycle. How does the change in the employment rate relate to business cycle? (4 marks)

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