

**October 2025**  
**B.A./B.Sc.**  
**First Semester**  
**MINOR – 1**  
**STATISTICS**  
*Course Code: STN 1.11*  
(Descriptive Statistics & Probability Theory)

Total Mark: 50

Pass Mark: 20

Time: 2 hours

I. Answer three questions, taking one from each unit.

**UNIT-I**

1. (a) (Write the correct answer) A smoothed frequency polygon is known as 1
  - (i) histogram (ii) frequency curve
  - (iii) ogive (iv) frequency polygon
- (b) Discuss the scope and applications of statistics in any two fields of your choice. Mention the methods which are applicable in those fields. 5
- (c) Write down the continuous probability distribution for various measures of central tendency and dispersion. 6
2. (a) Define continuous random variable and probability density function. 3
- (b) Mention the properties of a continuous distribution function. 3
- (c) Discuss the various types of data according to their classification. 6

**UNIT-II**

3. (a) (Write the correct answer) If the mean of a series is 10 and its coefficient of variation is 40 percent, the variance of the series is 1
  - (i) 4 (ii) 8 (iii) 12 (iv) 16

(b) (Write the correct answer) Coefficient of quartile deviation is given by 1

(i)  $\frac{Q_1 - Q_3}{Q_1 + Q_3}$       (ii)  $\frac{Q_3 - Q_1}{Q_3 + Q_1}$       (iii)  $\frac{Q_3 + Q_1}{Q_3 - Q_1}$       (iv)  $\frac{Q_1 + Q_3}{Q_1 - Q_3}$

(c) Prove the mean of the composite series. 4

(d) Define GM. Show the relationship between AM, GM, and HM 6

4. (a) Write down the characteristics of a good measure of dispersion. 4

(b) Show that SD is independent of change of origin but affected by change of scale. 4

(c) Define and write down the formulas of mean deviation (MD) and standard deviation (SD). 4

### UNIT-III

5. (a) Prove that for any two events A and B we have 2  
$$P(A \cap \bar{B}) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$$

(b) State and prove multiplication theorem of probability. 5

(c) Three newspapers X, Y and Z are published in Nagaland. It is estimated from a survey that of the adult population: 20% read X, 16% read Y, 14% read Z, 8% read both X and Y, 5% read both X and Z, 4% read both Y and Z, 2% read all three. Find what percentage read at least one of the papers. 5

6. (a) Define the following:  $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (i) Classical probability
- (ii) Empirical probability
- (iii) Axiomatic probability
- (iv) Mutually exclusive event
- (v) Exhaustive events

(b) A problem in statistics is given to three students A, B, and C whose chances of solving it are  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ , and  $\frac{1}{4}$  respectively.

What is the probability that the problem will be solved if all of them try independently? 5

(c) Can events be mutually exclusive, exhaustive, and independent? Give your reasoning. 2

*II. Answer any two of the following questions.*

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| 7. | (a) Define the term statistics in plural as well as singular sense.  | 3 |
|    | (b) Discuss the components of a table.   | 4 |
| 8. | (a) Explain the properties of an ideal average. In light of these properties, state which average you think is the best. | 4 |
|    | (b) Define kurtosis. Discuss how the kurtosis of a distribution can be measured.   | 3 |
| 9. | (a) State and prove law of addition of probability.  | 5 |
|    | (b) Explain an event with examples.  | 2 |
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