

BSc in Export Agriculture
Fourth Year First Semester Examination – July/ August 2018

Econometrics (EAG 402-2)

Section II – Essay Questions

Instructions:

Answer **all** questions in the given booklet.

No. of questions : Two (02)

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Time : One (01) hour

Total marks allocated : 60%

01.

- (I) What is meant by Data? (08 marks)
- (II) Distinguish between;
- a) Panel Data and Pooled Data (08 marks)
 - b) Primary Data and Secondary Data (08 marks)
 - c) Cross Sectional Data and Time Series Data (08 marks)
- (III) Briefly explain the following types of data
- a) Continuous data (05 marks)
 - b) Discrete data (05 marks)
 - c) Nominal data (05 marks)
 - d) Ordinal data (05 marks)
 - e) Ratio data (05 marks)
 - f) Interval data (05 marks)
- (IV) List three (03) graphical and/or tabular techniques to present each of the following data types
- a) Nominal data (09 marks)
 - b) Interval data (09 marks)
- (V) Provide two (02) practical examples for each of the following data types
- a) Primary data (04 marks)
 - b) Secondary data (04 marks)
 - c) Panel data (04 marks)
 - d) Time series data (04 marks)
 - e) Pooled data (04 marks)

02.

(I) Distinguish between;

- a) Correlation and Regression (10 marks)
- b) Regressand and Regressor (10marks)
- c) Ordinary Least Square (OLS) estimator and Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE) (10 marks)
- d) R^2 and Adjusted R^2 (10 marks)

(II) What are the assumptions made in OLS regression? (10 marks)

(III) Write short notes on the followings; (Hint: You should briefly explain how to correct each issue)

- a) Autocorrelation (10 marks)
- b) Multicollinearity (10 marks)
- c) Heteroscedasticity (10 marks)

(IV) Suppose someone has presented the following regression results for your consideration

$$\hat{Y}_t = 2.6911 - 0.4795X_t$$

Where,

Y = Coffee consumption in Sri Lanka (cups per person per day)

X = Retail price of coffee (rupees per kilogram)

t = Time period

- a) Is this a time series regression or a cross-sectional regression? (05 marks)
- b) Sketch the regression line. (05 marks)
- c) What is the interpretation of the intercept in this example? Does it make economic sense? (05 marks)
- d) How would you interpret the slope coefficient? (05 marks)

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