

# RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College under University of Calcutta)

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Date : 17/09/2014

STATISTICS (General)

Time : 12 noon – 1 pm

Paper : I

Full Marks : 25

[Use a separate answer book for each group]

## Group – A

(Answer any two questions)

1. Show that  $\frac{R^2}{2n} \leq S^2 \leq \frac{R^2}{4}$ , where R is the range &  $S^2$  is the square of the standard deviation of a set of variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ . [5]
2. a) Let  $y_i = a + bx_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  then show that  $S_y^2 = b^2 \cdot S_x^2$ , where  $S_y^2$  &  $S_x^2$  are square of standard deviation of y & x respectively.  
b) Give two situations where median is better than mean. [3+2]
3. a) Give what type of graphs can be used in the following situations :  
i) Percentage distribution of income of an individual under different heads.  
ii) Amount of profit & loss of a particular Company over 10 years.  
iii) Sale of a company available for 10 years.  
b) Explain the difference between class limit and class interval. [(3×1)+2]

## Group – B

(Answer any three questions)

4. The total life time (in years) of five-year-old dogs of a certain breed is a random variable whose distribution function is given by :  
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \leq 5 \\ 1 - \frac{25}{x^2} & \text{for } x > 5 \end{cases}$$
  
Find the probabilities that such a five-year-old dog will live  
a) beyond 10 years  
b) anywhere from 12 to 15 years. [5]
5. A die is thrown twice the event space S consists of the 36 possible pairs of outcomes (a,b), each assigned with probabilities  $\frac{1}{36}$ . Let A, B, C denote the events :  
 $A = \{(a, b) \mid a \text{ is odd}\}$ ;  $B = \{(a, b) \mid b \text{ is odd}\}$ ;  $C = \{(a, b) \mid a + b \text{ is odd}\}$   
Verify whether A, B & C are mutually independent or independent in pairs only. [5]
6. From a vessel containing 3 white & 5 black balls, 4 balls are transferred into an empty vessel. From this vessel, a ball is drawn and it is found to be white. What is the probability that out of 4 balls transferred, 3 are white & 1 black? [5]
7. What are the properties of a distribution function? Examine whether the following function is a distribution function : [1+4]  
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{2x} & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$