## PAPER - 5 : ADVANCED MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING QUESTIONS

## Value Added/ Non- Value Added Activities

1. Qwerty manufactures high-quality wooden doors within the forests of Qtown since 1967. Management is having emphasize on creativity, engineering, innovation and experience to provide customers with the door they desire, whether it is a standard design or a one-of-a-kind custom door. The following information pertains to operations during April:

| Processing time | 9.0 hrs. ${ }^{*}$ | Waiting time | 6.0 hrs. ${ }^{*}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Inspection time | 1.5 hr. $^{*}$ | Move time | 7.5 hrs. ${ }^{*}$ |  |
| Units per batch | 60 units |  |  |  |

(*) average time per batch

## Required

Compute the following operational measures:
(i) Average non-value-added time per batch
(ii) Average value added time per batch
(iii) Manufacturing cycle efficiency
(iv) Manufacturing cycle time

## Life Cycle Costing and Pricing Strategy

2. OR International Ltd. (ORIL) has developed a new product ' $a$ ' which is about to be launched into the market. Company has spent ₹ $30,00,000$ on R\&D of product ' $a^{3}$ '. It has also bought a machine to produce the product ' $a^{3}$ ' costing $₹ 11,25,000$ with a capacity of producing 1,100 units per week. Machine has no residual value.

The company has decided to charge price that will change with the cumulative numbers of units sold:

| Cumulative Sales (units) | Selling Price ₹ per unit |
| :--- | :---: |
| 0 to 2,200 | 750 |
| 2,201 to 7,700 | 600 |
| 7,701 to 15,950 | 525 |
| 15,951 to 59,950 | 450 |
| 59,951 and above | 300 |

Based on these selling prices, it is expected that sales demand will be as shown below:

| Weeks | Sales Demand per week (units) |
| :--- | :---: |
| $1-10$ | 220 |
| $11-20$ | 550 |
| $21-30$ | 825 |
| $31-70$ | 1,100 |
| $71-80$ | 880 |
| $81-90$ | 660 |
| $91-100$ | 440 |
| $101-110$ | 220 |
| Thereafter | NIL |

Unit variable costs are expected to be as follows:

|  |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| First 2,200 units | ₹ per unit |
| Next 13,750 units | 375 |
| Next 22,000 units | 300 |
| Next 22,000 units | 225 |
| Thereafter | 188 |

ORIL uses just-in-time production system. Following is the total contribution statement of the product ' $a^{3}$ ' for its Introduction and Growth phase:

|  | Introduction | Growth |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Weeks | $1-10$ | $11-30$ |  |
| Number of units Produced and Sold | 2,200 | 5,500 | 8,250 |
| Selling Price per unit $(₹)$ | 750 | 600 | 525 |
| Variable Cost per unit $(₹)$ | 375 | 300 | 300 |
| Contribution per unit $(₹)$ | 375 | 300 | 225 |
| Total Contribution $(₹)$ | $8,25,000$ | $16,50,000$ | $18,56,250$ |

## Required

(i) Prepare the total contribution statement for each of the remaining two phases of the product's life cycle.
(ii) Discuss Pricing Strategy of the product ' $a^{3}$ '.
(iii) Find possible reasons for the changes in cost during the life cycle of the product ' $a^{3}$ '.

Note: Ignore the time value of money.

## Value Chain Analysis - Primary Activity

3. Sinopec Ltd. is engaged in business of manufacturing branded readymade garments. It has a single manufacturing facility at Surat. Raw material is supplied by various suppliers.
Majority of its revenue comes from export to Euro Zone and US. To strengthen its position further in the Global Market, it is planning to enhance quality and provide assurance through long term warranty.
For the coming years company has set objective to reduce the quality costs in each of the primary activities in its value chain.

## Required

State the primary activities as per Porter's Value Chain Analysis in the value chain of Sinopec Ltd with brief description.

## Just in Time

4. YP Ltd. (YPL) manufactures and sells one product called "YEIA". Managing Director is not happy with its current purchasing and production system. There has been considerable discussion at the corporate level as to use of 'Just in Time' system for "YEIA". As per the opinion of managing director of YPL Ltd. - "Just-in-time system is a pull system, which responds to demand, in contrast to a push system, in which stocks act as buffers between the different elements of the system such as purchasing, production and sales. By using Just in Time system, it is possible to reduce carrying cost as well as other overheads".
YPL is dependent on contractual labour which has efficiency of $95 \%$, for its production. The labour has to be paid for minimum of 4,000 hours per month to which they produce 3,800 standard hours.
For availing services of labour above 4,000 hours in a month, YPL has to pay overtime rate which is $45 \%$ premium to the normal hourly rate of $₹ 110$ per hour. For avoiding this overtime payment, YPL in its current production and purchase plan utilizes full available normal working hours so that the higher inventory levels in the month of lower demand would be able to meet sales of month with higher demand level. YPL has determined that the cost of holding inventory is ₹70 per month for each standard hour of output that is held in inventory.
YPL has forecast the demand for its products for the first six months of year 2017 as follows:

| Month | Demand <br> (Standard Hrs) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Jan'17 | 3,150 |
| Feb''17 | 3,760 |
| Mar'17 | 4,060 |
| Apr'17 | 3,350 |
| May'17 | 3,650 |
| Jun'17 | 4,830 |

Following other information is given:
(a) All other production costs are either fixed or are not driven by labour hours worked.
(b) Production and sales occur evenly during each month and at present there is no stock at the end of Dec'16.
(c) The labour are to be paid for their minimum contracted hours in each month irrespective of any purchase and production system.

## Required

As a chief accountant, you are requested to comment on managing director's view.

## Break-even Point - Production in Batches

5. Z Ltd. is a leading Home Appliances manufacturer. The company uses just-in- time manufacturing process, thereby having no inventory. Manufacturing is done in batch size of 100 units which cannot be altered without significant cost implications. Although the products are manufactured in batches of 100 units, they are sold as single units at the market price. Due to fierce competition in the market, the company is forced to follow market price of each product. The following table provides the financial results of its four unique products:

|  | Alpha | Beta | Gamma | Theta | Total |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales (units) | $2,00,000$ | $2,60,000$ | $1,60,000$ | $3,00,000$ |  |
|  | $(₹)$ | $(₹)$ | $(₹)$ | $(₹)$ | $(₹)$ |
| Revenue | $26,00,000$ | $45,20,000$ | $42,40,000$ | $32,00,000$ | $145,60,000$ |
| Less: Material Cost | $6,00,000$ | $18,20,000$ | $18,80,000$ | $10,00,000$ | $53,00,000$ |
| Less: Labour Cost | $8,00,000$ | $20,80,000$ | $12,80,000$ | $12,00,000$ | $53,60,000$ |
| Less: Overheads | $8,00,000$ | $7,80,000$ | $3,20,000$ | $12,00,000$ | $31,00,000$ |
| Profit / (Loss) | $4,00,000$ | $(1,60,000)$ | $7,60,000$ | $(2,00,000)$ | $8,00,000$ |

Since, company is concerned about loss in manufacturing and selling of two products so, it has approached you to clear picture on its products and costs. You have conducted a detailed investigation whose findings are below:
The overhead absorption rate of ₹ 2 per machine hour has been used to allocate overheads into the above product costs. Further analysis of the overhead cost shows that some of it is caused by the number of machine hours used, some is caused by the number of batches produced and some are product specific fixed overheads that would be avoided if the product were discontinued. Other general fixed overhead costs would be avoided only by the closure of the factory. Numeric details are summarized below:
₹
₹

Machine hour related.
.6,20,000
Batch related
.4,60,000

Product specific fixed overhead:


|  | Alpha |  | Beta | Gamma | Theta |  | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Machine Hours | $4,00,000$ | $3,90,000$ | $1,60,000$ | $6,00,000$ | $15,50,000$ |  |  |
| Labour Hours | $1,00,000$ | $2,60,000$ | $1,60,000$ | $1,50,000$ | $6,70,000$ |  |  |

## Required

(i) Prepare a profitability statement that is more useful for decision making than the profit statement prepared by Z Ltd.
(ii) Calculate the break- even volume in batches and also in approximate units for Product 'Alpha'.

## Determination of Production Mix/ Production Planning

6. A company is producing three products $P, Q \& R$. Relevant information is given below:

| Product | P | Q | R |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Raw material per unit (kg) | 20 | 12 | 30 |
| Machine hours per unit (hours) | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| Selling price per unit (₹) | 500 | 400 | 800 |
| Maximum limit of production Unit | 1,500 | 1,500 | 750 |

Only 9,200 hours are available for production at a cost of ₹20 per hour and maximum $50,000 \mathrm{kgs}$. of material @ ₹ 20 per kg., can be obtained.
(Only product mix quantities are to be shown, calculation of total profit at that product mix not required to be shown)

## Required

On the basis of the above information determine the product-mix to give the highest profit if at least two products are produced.

## Pareto Analysis

7. Generation 2050 Technologies Ltd. develops cutting-edge innovations that are powering the next revolution in mobility and has nine tablet smart phone models currently in the market whose previous year financial data is given below:

| Model | Sales (₹'000) | Profit-Volume (PV) Ratio |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tab - A001 | 5,100 | $3.53 \%$ |
| Tab - B002 | 3,000 | $23.00 \%$ |
| Tab - C003 | 2,100 | $14.29 \%$ |
| Tab - D004 | 1,800 | $14.17 \%$ |
| Tab - E005 | 1,050 | $41.43 \%$ |
| Tab - F006 | 750 | $26.00 \%$ |
| Tab - G007 | 450 | $26.67 \%$ |
| Tab - H008 | 225 | $6.67 \%$ |
| Tab - I009 | 75 | $60.00 \%$ |

Using the financial data, carry out a Pareto analysis ( $80 / 20$ rule) of Sales and Contribution. Discuss your findings with appropriate recommendations.

## Budget and Budgetary Control

8. KLM Ltd manufactures and sells a single product and has estimated sales revenue of ₹ 397.80 lacs during the year based on $20 \%$ profit on selling price. Each unit of product requires 6 kg of material W and 3 kg of material $X$ and processing time of 4 hours in machine shop and 2 hours in assembly shop. Factory overheads are absorbed at a blanket rate of $20 \%$ of direct labour. Variable selling \& distribution overheads are ₹ 6 per unit sold and fixed selling \& distribution overheads are estimated to be ₹7,20,000.

The other relevant details are as under:

| Purchase Price | Material W | ₹16 per kg |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Materials $X$ | $₹ 10$ per kg |  |
| Labour Rate | Machine Shop | $₹ 14$ per hour |  |
|  | Assembly Shop | $₹ 7$ per hour |  |
|  | Finished Stock | Material W | Material X |
| Opening Stock | 25,000 units | $75,000 \mathrm{~kg}$ | $40,000 \mathrm{~kg}$ |
| Closing Stock | 30,000 units | $80,000 \mathrm{~kg}$ | $55,000 \mathrm{~kg}$ |

## Required

Calculate
(i) Number of units of product proposed to be sold and selling price per unit.
(ii) Production budget in units.
(iii) Material purchase budget in units.

## Standard Costing - Reconciliation of Budgeted and Actual Profit

9. KYC Toys Ltd. manufactures a single product and the standard cost system is followed. Standard cost per unit is worked out as follows:

|  | ₹ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Materials (10 Kgs. @ ₹4 per Kg) | 40 |
| Labour (8 hours @ ₹8 per hour) | 64 |
| Variable overheads (8 hours @ ₹3 per hour) | 24 |
| Fixed overheads (8 hours @ ₹3 per hour) | 24 |
| Standard Profit | 56 |

Overheads are allocated on the basis of direct labour hours. In the month of April 2018, there was no difference between the budgeted and actual selling price and there were no opening or closing stock during the period.

The other details for the month of April 2018 are as under

| Budgeted |  | Actual |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Production and Sales | 2,000 Units | 1,800 Units |
| Direct Materials | $20,000 \mathrm{Kgs}$. @ ₹ 4 per kg | $20,000 \mathrm{Kgs}$.@ ₹ 4 per kg |
| Direct Labour | $16,000 \mathrm{Hrs}$. @ ₹ 8 per Hr. | $14,800 \mathrm{Hrs}$. @ 8 per Hr. |
| Variable Overheads | ₹ 48,000 | ₹ 44,400 |
| Fixed Overheads | ₹ 48,000 | ₹ 48,000 |

## Required

Reconcile the budgeted and actual profit with the help of variances according to each of the following method:
(i) The conventional method
(ii) The relevant cost method assuming that
(a) Materials are scarce and are restricted to supply of $20,000 \mathrm{Kgs}$. for the period.
(b) Labour hours are limited and available hours are only 16,000 hours for the period.
(c) There are no scarce inputs.

## Transfer Pricing

10. Divisions $X$ and $Y$ are two divisions in $X Y$ Ltd. Division $X$ manufactures a component $(X)$ which is sold to external customers and also to Division Y .

Details of Division X are as follows:

| Market price per component | ₹ 300 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Variable cost per component | ₹ 157 |
| Fixed costs per production period | ₹ $20,62,000$ |
| Demand from Y Division per production period | 20,000 components |
| Capacity per production period | 35,000 components |

Division Y assembles a product $(\mathrm{Y})$ which is sold to external customers. Each unit of Y requires two units of $X$.

Details of Division Y are as follows:

| Selling price per unit | $₹ 1,200$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Variable cost per unit: |  |
| (i) $\quad$ Two components from X | 2@ transfer price |
| (ii) $\quad$ Other variable costs per unit | $₹ 375$ |
| Fixed costs per production period | $₹ 13,50,000$ |
| Demand per production period | 10,000 units |
| Capacity per production period | 10,000 units |

The Group Transfer Pricing Policy stipulates that
Transfers must be at opportunity cost.
$Y$ must buy the components from $X$.
X must satisfy the demand from Y before making external sales.

## Required

(i) Present figures showing the weighted average transfer price, per component transferred to Y and the total profits earned by X for each of the following levels of external demand of X :
External demand $=15,000$ components
External demand $=19,000$ components
External demand $=35,000$ components
(ii) Compute Division Y's profits when Division X has each of the above levels of demand.
(Only relevant figures need to be discussed. A detailed profitability statement for each situation is not required).

## Transportation Problem - Degeneracy

11. A project consists of four (4) major jobs, for which four (4) contractors have submitted tenders. The tender amounts, in thousands of rupees, are given in the each cell. The initial solution of the problem obtained by using Vogel's Approximation Method is given in the Table below:

| Contractors | Job P | Job Q | Job R | Job S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 112.50 | 100.00 | 127.50 | 167.50 |
| B | 142.50 | 105.00 | 1 | 157.50 |
| C | 122.50 | 130.00 | 120.00 | 137.50 |
| D | 102.50 | 1 | 112.50 | 150.00 |

Find the assignment, which minimizes the total cost of the project. Each contractor has to be awarded one job only.

## Critical Path Analysis - Missing Figures and Network

12. The number of days of total float (TF), earliest start times (EST) and duration in days are given for some of the following activities.

| Activity | TF | EST | Duration |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1-2$ | 0 | 0 | $? ? ?$ |
| $1-3$ | 2 | $? ? ?$ | $? ? ?$ |
| $1-4$ | 5 | $? ? ?$ | $? ? ?$ |
| $2-4$ | 0 | 4 | $? ? ?$ |
| $2-5$ | 1 | $? ? ?$ | 5 |
| $3-6$ | 2 | 12 | $? ? ?$ |
| $4-6$ | 0 | 12 | $? ? ?$ |
| $5-7$ | 1 | $? ? ?$ | $? ? ?$ |
| $6-7$ | $? ? ?$ | 23 | $? ? ?$ |
| $6-8$ | 2 | $? ? ?$ | $? ? ?$ |
| $7-8$ | 0 | 23 | $? ? ?$ |
| $8-9$ | $? ? ?$ | 30 | 6 |

(i) Find??? Figures.
(ii) Draw the network.
(iii) List the paths with their corresponding durations and state when the project can be completed.

## PERT and CPM - Basic Concepts

13. State the validity of following statements along with the reasons:
(i) Two activities have common predecessor and successor activities. So, they can have common initial and final nodes.
(ii) In respect of any activity whether real or dummy, the terminal node should bear a number higher than the initial node number.
(iii) The difference between the latest event time and the earliest event time is termed as free float.
(iv) For every critical activity in a network, the earliest start and the earliest finish time as well as the latest finish time and the latest start time are the same.
(v) The optimal duration of a project is the minimum time in which it can be completed.
(vi) Resource leveling aims at smoothening of the resource usage rate without changing the project duration.

## Simulation

14. An Investment Corporation wants to study the investment projects based on four factors: market demand in units, contribution per unit, advertising cost and the investment required. These factors are felt to be independent of each other. In analyzing a new consumer product, the corporation estimates the following probability distributions:

| Demand (units) |  | Contribution per unit |  | Advertising Cost |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. | Probability | $₹$ | Probability | $₹$ | Probability |
| 10,000 | 0.20 | 25 | 0.25 | 50,000 | 0.22 |
| 20,000 | 0.25 | 35 | 0.30 | 60,000 | 0.33 |
| 30,000 | 0.30 | 45 | 0.35 | 70,000 | 0.44 |
| 40,000 | 0.25 | 55 | 0.10 | 80,000 | 0.01 |

The data for proposed investments are as follows:

| Investment (₹) | $50,00,000$ | $55,00,000$ | $60,00,000$ | $65,00,000$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Probability | 0.10 | 0.30 | 0.45 | 0.15 |

Using simulation process, repeat the trials 5 times, compute the Return on Investment (ROI) for each trial and find the highest likely return.
Using the sequence (First 4 random numbers for the first trial, etc.)

| 09 | 24 | 85 | 07 | 84 | 38 | 16 | 48 | 41 | 73 | 54 | 57 | 92 | 07 | 99 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 64 | 65 | 04 | 78 | 72 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Application of Learning Curve in Standard Costing

15. Aldi International Co. is a multiproduct firm and operates standard costing and budgetary control system. During the month of June firm launched a new product. An extract from performance report prepared by Sr . Accountant is as follows:

| Particulars | Budget | Actual |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Output | 30 units | 25 units |
| Direct Labour Hours | 180.74 hrs. | 118.08 hrs. |
| Direct Labour Cost | ₹ $1,19,288$ | $₹ 79,704$ |

Sr. Accountant prepared performance report for new product on certain assumptions but later on he realized that this new product has similarities with other existing product of the company. Accordingly, the rate of learning should be $80 \%$ and that the learning would cease after 15 units. Other budget assumptions for the new product remain valid.
The original budget figures are based on the assumption that the labour has learning rate of $90 \%$ and learning will cease after 20 units, and thereafter the time per unit will be the same as the time of the final unit during the learning period, i.e. the 20th unit. The time taken for $1^{\text {st }}$ unit is 10 hours.
Show the variances that reconcile the actual labour figures with revised budgeted figures in as much detail as possible.
Note:
The learning index values for a $90 \%$ and a $80 \%$ learning curve are -0.152 and -0.322 respectively.
$[\log 2=0.3010, \log 3=0.47712, \log 5=0.69897, \log 7=0.8451$, antilog of $0.6213=4.181$, antilog of $0.63096=4.275$ ]

## Profitability Analysis

16. A company is planning to improve its profit level at least by $10 \%$ from the preliminary budget estimates of a profit of $₹ 32,80,000$ for the coming year. It has worked out the following profit improvement plan:
(i) In the year just concluded the sales of the company were $10 \%$ of the total market of $12,00,000$ units. For the preparation of the original budget estimate, the same market demand and the same share of market for the company was envisaged. Now it has been estimated that the total market demand will increase by $18 \%$ and the company's market share will increase to $11 \%$ from the present level of $10 \%$.
(ii) The products are sold in two sizes - large and medium. The sales mix of each size was $50: 50$ so far. Now it is planned that the sales will be $40 \%$ of large and $60 \%$ of medium. The medium packs and large packs have a contribution of ₹ 10 and ₹ 8 per pack respectively. The budget proposes to raise the price in such a manner that the contribution per pack will increase by ₹ 0.60 for each size.
(iii) There will be an additional expenditure on sales promotion worth ₹ 78,000 .
(iv) The company proposes to save ₹9,000 by saving on interest cost in the coming year by better financial management.
Required
Draw a profit improvement plan in financial terms and spell out separately the effect of various factors on profit.

## SUGGESTED ANSWERS/ HINTS

1. (i) Average Non Value Added Time per batch
$=$ Inspection Time + Waiting Time + Move Time
$=1.5 \mathrm{hr} .+6.0 \mathrm{hrs} .+7.5 \mathrm{hrs}$.
$=15 \mathrm{hrs}$.
(ii) Average Value Added Time per batch
$=$ Processing Time
$=9 \mathrm{hrs}$.
(iii) Manufacturing Cycle Efficiency
$=\frac{\text { ProcessingTime }}{\text { ProcessingTime }+ \text { Inspection Time }+ \text { Waiting Time }+ \text { Move Time }}$
$=\frac{9.0 \mathrm{hrs} .}{9.0 \mathrm{hrs} .+1.5 \mathrm{hr} .+6.0 \mathrm{hrs} .+7.5 \mathrm{hrs} .}$
$=37.5 \%$
(iv) Manufacturing Cycle Time

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\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{\text { Total Production Time }}{\text { Units per Batch }} \\
& =\frac{24 \text { hrs. }}{60 \text { units }} \\
& =0.40 \text { hrs. per unit }
\end{aligned}
$$

2. (i) Total Contribution Statement

Statement Showing 'Total Contribution' for remaining two phases

| Particulars | Maturity |  | Decline |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Weeks | $31-50$ | $51-70$ | $71-110$ |
| Number of units Produced and Sold | 22,000 | 22,000 | 22,000 |


| Selling Price per unit (₹) | 450 | 450 | 300 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unit Variable Cost (₹) | 225 | 188 | 225 |
| Unit Contribution (₹) | 225 | 262 | 75 |
| Total Contribution (₹) | $49,50,000$ | $57,64,000$ | $16,50,000$ |

(ii) Pricing Strategy for Product $\mathrm{a}^{3}$

ORIL is following the skimming price strategy that's why it has planned to launch the product $a^{3}$ initially with high price tag.
A skimming strategy may be recommended when a firm has incurred large sums of money on research and development for a new product.
In the question, ORIL has incurred a huge amount on research and development. Also, it is very difficult to start with a low price and then raise the price. Raising a low price may annoy potential customers.

Price of the product $a^{3}$ is decreasing gradually stage by stage. This is happening because ORIL wants to tap the mass market by lowering the price.
(iii) Possible reasons for the changes in cost during the life cycle of the product ' $\mathrm{a}^{3}$,

Product life cycle costing involves tracing of costs and revenues of each product over several calendar periods throughout their entire life cycle. Possible reasons for the changes in cost during the life cycle of the product are as follows:
ORIL is expecting reduction in unit cost of the product $\mathrm{a}^{3}$ over the life of product as a consequence of economies of scale and learning / experience curves.
Learning effect may be the possible reason for reduction in per unit cost if the process is labour intensive. When a new product or process is started, performance of worker is not at its best and learning phenomenon takes place. As the experience is gained, the performance of worker improves, time taken per unit reduces and thus his productivity goes up. The amount of improvement or experience gained is reflected in a decrease in cost.
Till the stage of maturity, ORIL is in the expansion mode. The ORIL may be able to take advantages of quantity discount offered by suppliers or may negotiate the price with suppliers.
Product $\mathrm{a}^{3}$ has the least variable cost ₹188 in last phase of maturity stage; this is because a product which is in the mature stage may require less marketing support than a product which is in the growth stage so, there is a saving of marketing cost per unit.

Again, the cost per unit of the product $\mathrm{a}^{3}$ jumps to ₹ 225 in decline stage. As soon as the product reaches its decline stage, the need or demand for the product disappear and quantity discount may not be available. Even ORIL may have to incur heavy marketing expenses for stock clearance.

## Workings:

Statement of Cumulative Sales along with Sales Price and Variable Cost

| Weeks | Demand <br> per week | Total <br> Sales | Cumulative <br> Sales | Selling Price <br> per unit $(₹)$ | Variable Cost <br> per unit $(₹)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1-10$ | 220 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 750 | 375 |
| $11-20$ | 550 | 5,500 | 7,700 | 600 | 300 |
| $21-30$ | 825 | 8,250 | 15,950 | 525 | 300 |
| $31-50$ | 1,100 | 22,000 | 37,950 | 450 | 225 |
| $51-70$ | 1,100 | 22,000 | 59,950 | 450 | 188 |
| $71-80$ | 880 | 8,800 | 68,750 | 300 | 225 |
| $81-90$ | 660 | 6,600 | 75,350 | 300 | 225 |
| $91-100$ | 440 | 4,400 | 79,750 | 300 | 225 |
| $101-110$ | 220 | 2,200 | 81,950 | 300 | 225 |

3. Primary activities are the activities that are directly involved in transforming inputs into outputs and delivery and after-sales support to output. Following are the primary activities in the value chain of Sinopec Ltd:
(i) Inbound Logistics: These activities are related to the material handling and warehousing. It also covers transporting raw material from the supplier to the place of processing inside the factory.
(ii) Operations: These activities are directly responsible for the transformation of raw material into final product for the delivery to the consumers.
(iii) Outbound Logistics: These activities are involved in movement of finished goods to the point of sales. Order processing and distribution are major part of these activities.
(iv) Marketing and Sales: These activities are performed for demand creation and customer solicitation. Communication, pricing and channel management are major part of these activities.
(v) Service: These activities are performed after selling the goods to the consumers. Installation, repair and parts replacement are some examples of these activities.

## 4. Workings

Statement Showing 'Inventory Holding Cost' under Current System

| Particulars |  | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Opening Inventory | (A) | --- | 650 | 690 | 430 | 880 | 1,030 |
| ${\text { Add: }{ }^{*} \text { Production }}^{*}$ |  | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 |
| ${\text { Less: }{ }^{\text {D }}}^{\text {Demand }}$ |  | 3,150 | 3,760 | 4,060 | 3,350 | 3,650 | 4,830 |
| Closing Inventory $^{*}$ | (B) | 650 | 690 | 430 | 880 | 1,030 | - |


| Average Inventory ( $\frac{\text { A + }}{2}$ ) | 325 | 670 | 560 | 655 | 955 | 515 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Inventory Holding Cost @ ₹70 | 22,750 | 46,900 | 39,200 | 45,850 | 66,850 | 36,050 |

(*) in terms of standard labour hours
Inventory Holding Cost for the six months
$=₹ 2,57,600$
(₹ $22,750+₹ 46,900+₹ 39,200+$
₹ 45,850 + ₹ $66,850+₹ 36,050$ )
Calculation of Relevant Overtime Cost under JIT System

| Particulars | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Demand* | 3,150 | 3,760 | 4,060 | 3,350 | 3,650 | 4,830 |
| Production* $^{*}$ | 3,150 | 3,760 | 4,060 | 3,350 | 3,650 | 4,830 |
| Normal Availablility |  | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 |
| Shortage (=Overtime ${ }^{*}$ ) (C) | --- | --- | 260 | --- | --- | 1,030 |
| Actual Overtime Hours $\left(\frac{\mathrm{C}}{0.95}\right)$ | --- | --- | 273.68 | --- | --- | $1,084.21$ |
| Overtime Payment @ ₹159.50 <br> $[110+45 \%]$ | --- | --- | 43,652 | --- | --- | $1,72,931$ |

(*) $^{*}$ in terms of standard labour hours
Total Overtime payment

$$
\begin{aligned}
= & ₹ 2,16,583 \\
& \text { (₹ } 43,652+₹ 1,72,931)
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore, saving in JIT system = ₹ $2,57,600$ - ₹ $2,16,583=$ ₹ 41,017

## Comments

Though YPL is saving ₹ 41,017 by changing its production system to Just-in-time but it has to consider other factors as well before taking any final call which are as follows:-
(i) YPL has to ensure that it receives materials from its suppliers on the exact date and at the exact time when they are needed. Credentials and reliability of supplier must be thoroughly checked.
(ii) To remove any quality issues, the engineering staff must visit supplier's sites and examine their processes, not only to see if they can reliably ship high-quality parts but also to provide them with engineering assistance to bring them up to a higher standard of product.
(iii) YPL should also aim to improve quality at its process and design levels with the purpose of achieving "Zero Defects" in the production process.
(iv) YPL should also keep in mind the efficiency of its work force. YPL must ensure that labour's learning curve has reached at steady rate so that they are capable of
performing a variety of operations at effective and efficient manner. The workforce must be completely retrained and focused on a wide range of activities.
5. (i) Statement of Profitability of $Z \mathrm{Ltd}$.

|  | Products (Amount in ₹) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Alpha | Beta | Gamma | Theta | Total |
| Sales | 26,00,000 | 45,20,000 | 42,40,000 | 32,00,000 | 1,45,60,000 |
| Direct Materials | 6,00,000 | 18,20,000 | 18,80,000 | 10,00,000 | 53,00,000 |
| Direct Wages | 8,00,000 | 20,80,000 | 12,80,000 | 12,00,000 | 53,60,000 |
| Overheads (W.N.2): |  |  |  |  |  |
| Machine Related | 1,60,000 | 1,56,000 | 64,000 | 2,40,000 | 6,20,000 |
| Batch Related | 1,00,000 | 1,30,000 | 80,000 | 1,50,000 | 4,60,000 |
| Contribution | 9,40,000 | 3,34,000 | 9,36,000 | 6,10,000 | 28,20,000 |
| Product Specific Fixed Overheads | 10,00,000 | 1,00,000 | 2,00,000 | 1,00,000 | 14,00,000 |
| Gross Profit | $(60,000)$ | 2,34,000 | 7,36,000 | 5,10,000 | 14,20,000 |
| General Fixed Overheads |  |  |  |  | 6,20,000 |
| Profit |  |  |  |  | 8,00,000 |

(ii) Break-even Point

| Total Sale Value of Product 'Alpha' | $=₹ 26,00,000$ |
| ---: | :--- |
| Total Contribution of Product 'Alpha' | $=₹ 9,40,000$ |
| Specific Fixed Overheads (Product Alpha) | $=₹ 10,00,000$ |
|  | $=\frac{\text { Specific Fixed Cost }}{\text { Total Contribution }} \times$ Total Sales Value |
| Break-even Sales (₹) | $=\frac{₹ 10,00,000}{₹ 9,40,000} \times ₹ 26,00,000$ |
|  | $=₹ 27,65,957.45$ |
|  | $=\frac{₹ 27,65,957.45}{₹ 13.00}=2,12,766$ units |

However, production must be done in batches of 100 units. Therefore, 2,128 batches are required for break even. Due to the production in batches, 34 units ( 2,128 batches $\times 100$ units $-2,12,766$ units) would be produced extra. These 34 units would add extra cost ₹282.20 (34 units $\times$ ₹8.3*). Accordingly, break-even units as calculated above will increase by 22 units $\left(\frac{₹ 282.20}{₹ 13.00}\right)$.
(*) $\quad\left(\frac{₹ 6,00,000+₹ 8,00,000+₹ 1,60,000+₹ 1,00,000}{2,00,000 \text { units }}\right)$
Break-even units of product 'Alpha' is $2,12,788$ units ( $2,12,766$ units +22 units).
Workings:
W.N.-1

Calculation Showing Overhead Rates

| Overhead's Related <br> Factors | Overhead <br> Cost (₹) <br> [a] | Total No. of <br> Units of Factors <br> [b] | Overhead Rate <br> (₹) <br> [a]/ $[\mathrm{b}]$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Machining Hours | $6,20,000$ | $15,50,000$ hrs. | 0.40 |
| Batch Production | $4,60,000$ | 9,200 batches | 50.00 |

## W.N.-2

Statement Showing - Overhead Costs Related to Product

| Particulars | Alpha | Beta | Gamma | Theta |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| related overheads | $\begin{gathered} \text { ₹ } 1,60,000 \\ (4,00,000 \mathrm{hrs} \times \\ \text { ₹ } 0.40) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (3,90,000 \mathrm{hrs} \times \\ & ₹ 0.40) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} (1,60,000 \text { hrs } \times \\ ₹ 0.40) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (6,00,000 \mathrm{hrs} \times \\ & ₹ 0.40) \end{aligned}$ |
| overheads | $\begin{gathered} ₹ 1,00,000 \\ (2,000 \text { batches } \times \\ \text { ₹ } 50) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} ₹ 1,30,000 \\ 2,600 \text { batches } \times \\ ₹ 50) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} ₹ 80,000 \\ (1,600 \text { batches } \\ \times ₹ 50) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} (3,000 \text { batches } \\ ₹ 50) \end{gathered}$ |

6. Computation of Contribution per Key Factor(s) for Various Products

| Particulars | Products |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | P | Q | R |
| Selling Price p. u. (₹) | 500 | 400 | 800 |
| Variable Cost p. u. (₹): |  |  |  |
| Material | 400 <br> $(₹ 20 \times 20 \mathrm{Kg})$. | 240 <br> $(₹ 20 \times 12 \mathrm{Kg})$. | 600 <br> (₹20 $\times 30 \mathrm{Kg})$. |
| Machine Charge | 60 <br> (₹20 $\times 3$ hrs) | 100 <br> (₹ $20 \times 5 \mathrm{hrs})$ | 80 <br> (₹20 $\times 4 \mathrm{hrs})$ |
| Total Variable Cost p. u. (₹) | 460 | 340 | 680 |
| Contribution p. u. (₹) | 40 | 60 | 120 |
| Ranking | III | II | I |
| Requirement of Material (Kg.) | 20 | 12 | 30 |


| Contribution per Kg. (₹) | 2.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ranking | III | I | II |
| Requirement of Machine Hours <br> (Hrs.) | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| Contribution per hour (₹) | 13.33 | 12.00 | 30.00 |
| Ranking | II | III | I |

It is clear from the above ranking(s):-
I. Contribution per Unit is maximum in case of product $Q \& R$.
II. Contribution per Kg. of Raw Material also maximum in case of product $Q \& R$.
III. Contribution per Machine Hour is maximum in case of product $P$ \& $R$.

So product $R$ is common in all cases and priority shall be given for production of ' $R$ '. Balance resources should be divided between other two products P \& Q .

Statement Showing Balance Resources for Product P \& Q

| Resources | Maximum <br> Availability <br> (a) | Maximum <br> Production $\mathbf{R}$ <br> (b) | Consumption <br> of Resources <br> p.u. <br> (c) | Total <br> Cons. <br> (d) $\boldsymbol{= ( b ) ~} \mathbf{x}$ (c) | Balance |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) - (d) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Material | $50,000 \mathrm{Kg}$. | 750 | 30 Kg. | $22,500 \mathrm{Kg}$. | $27,500 \mathrm{Kg}$. |
| Machine Hrs. | $9,200 \mathrm{Hrs}$. | 750 | 4 Hrs. | $3,000 \mathrm{Hrs}$. | $6,200 \mathrm{Hrs}$. |

The production of $P$ \& $Q$ may be calculated with the help of following equations by utilizing balance resources: -

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\begin{align*}
20 P+12 Q & =27,500  \tag{i}\\
3 P+5 Q & =6,200 \tag{ii}
\end{align*}
$$

Then,

equation (ii) multiplied by 10

$Q=648.43$ i.e. 648 units
Putting the value of Y in equation (ii)

Or
Or

$$
\begin{aligned}
3 P+(5 \times 648) & =6,200 \\
3 P & =2,960 \\
P & =986 \text { units }
\end{aligned}
$$

So the of Product Mix is
$P=986$ units; $Q=648$ units; $R=750$ units
7.

Statement Showing 'Pareto Analysis'

| Model | Sales <br> (₹'000) | \% of Total <br> Sales | Cumulative <br> Total | Model | Cont. <br> (₹'000) | \% of <br> Total Cont. | Cumulativ <br> e <br> Total |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pareto Analysis Sales |  |  |  |  |  |  | Pareto Analysis Contribution |  |  |  |
| A001 | 5,100 | $35.05 \%$ | $35.05 \%$ | B002 | 690 | $30.87 \%$ | $30.87 \%$ |  |  |  |
| B002 | 3,000 | $20.62 \%$ | $55.67 \%$ | E005 | 435 | $19.47 \%^{*}$ | $50.34 \%$ |  |  |  |
| C003 | 2,100 | $14.43 \%$ | $70.10 \%$ | C003 | 300 | $13.42 \%$ | $63.76 \%$ |  |  |  |
| D004 | 1,800 | $12.37 \%$ | $82.47 \%$ | D004 | 255 | $11.41 \%$ | $75.17 \%$ |  |  |  |
| E005 | 1,050 | $7.22 \%$ | $89.69 \%$ | F006 | 195 | $8.73 \%{ }^{*}$ | $83.90 \%$ |  |  |  |
| F006 | 750 | $5.15 \%$ | $94.84 \%$ | A001 | 180 | $8.05 \%$ | $91.95 \%$ |  |  |  |
| G007 | 450 | $3.09 \%$ | $97.93 \%$ | G007 | 120 | $5.37 \%$ | $97.32 \%$ |  |  |  |
| H008 | 225 | $1.55 \%$ | $99.48 \%$ | 1009 | 45 | $2.01 \%$ | $99.33 \%$ |  |  |  |
| I009 | 75 | $0.52 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ | H008 | 15 | $0.67 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |  |  |  |
|  | 14,550 | $100.00 \%$ |  |  | 2,235 | $100.00 \%$ |  |  |  |  |

(*) Rounding - off difference adjusted.
Diagram Showing 'Sales and Contribution' (NOT COMPULSORY)


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This Diagram is shown for better understanding of the concept.

## Recommendations

Pareto Analysis is a rule that recommends focus on most important aspects of the decision making in order to simplify the process of decision making. The very purpose of this analysis is to direct attention and efforts of management to the product or area where best returns can be achieved by taking appropriate actions.

Pareto Analysis is based on the 80/20 rule which implies that 20\% of the products account for $80 \%$ of the revenue. But this is not the fixed percentage rule; in general business sense it means that a few of the products, goods or customers may make up most of the value for the firm.

In present case, five models namely A001, B002, C003, D004 account for $80 \%$ of total sales where as $80 \%$ of the company's contribution is derived from models B002, E005, C003, D004 and F006.

Models B002 and E005 together account for $50.34 \%$ of total contribution but having only $27.84 \%$ share in total sales. So, these two models are the key models and should be the top priority of management. Boths C003 and D004 are among the models giving $80 \%$ of total contribution as well as $80 \%$ of total sales so; they can also be clubbed with B002 and E005 as key models. Management of the company should allocate maximum resources to these four models.

Model F006 features among the models giving $80 \%$ of total contribution with relatively lower share in total sales. Management should focus on its promotional activities.
Model A001 accounts for $35.05 \%$ of total sales with only $8.05 \%$ share in total contribution. Company should review its pricing structure to enhance its contribution.

Models G007, H008 and 1009 have lower share in both total sales as well as contribution. Company can delegate the pricing decision of these models to the lower levels of management, thus freeing themselves to focus on the pricing decisions for key models.
(i) Workings:

Statement Showing Total Variable Cost for the year

| Particulars | Amount <br> $(₹)$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Estimated Sales Revenue | $3,97,80,000$ |
| Less: Desired Profit Margin on Sale @ 20\% | $79,56,000$ |
| Estimated Total Cost | $3,18,24,000$ |
| Less: Fixed Selling and Distribution Overheads | $7,20,000$ |
| Total Variable Cost | $3,11,04,000$ |

## Statement Showing Variable Cost per unit

| Particulars | Variable Cost p.u. <br> (₹) |
| :--- | :---: |
| Direct Materials: |  |
| W: 6 Kg. @ ₹16 per Kg. | 96 |
| X: 3 Kg. @ ₹10 per Kg. | 30 |
| Labour Cost: |  |
| Machine Shop: 4 hrs. @ ₹14 per hour | 56 |
| Assembly Shop: 2 hrs. @ ₹7 per hour | 14 |
| Factory Overheads: 20\% of (₹56 + ₹14) | 14 |
| Variable Selling \& Distribution Expenses | 6 |
| Total Variable Cost per unit | 216 |

Number of Units Sold $=$ Total Variable Cost/Variable Cost per unit

$$
=₹ 3,11,04,000 / ₹ 216
$$

$$
=1,44,000 \text { units }
$$

Selling Price per unit
(ii)

$$
=\text { Total Sales Value / Number of Units Sold }
$$

$=₹ 3,97,80,000 / 1,44,000$ units
= ₹276.25
Production Budget (units)

| Particulars | Units |
| :--- | ---: |
| Budgeted Sales | $1,44,000$ |
| Add: Closing Stock | 30,000 |
| Total Requirements | $1,74,000$ |
| Less: Opening Stock | 25,000 |
| Required Production | $1,49,000$ |

(iii)

Materials Purchase Budget (Kg.)

| Particulars | Material <br> W | Material <br> $\mathbf{X}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Requirement for Production | $8,94,000$ <br> $(1,49,000$ units $\times 6 \mathrm{Kg})$. | $4,47,000$ |
| $(1,49,000$ units $\times 3 \mathrm{Kg})$. |  |  |$|$| 85,000 |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Add: Desired Closing Stock | 80,000 | $5,02,000$ |
| Total Requirements | $9,74,000$ | 40,000 |
| Less: Opening Stock | $8,99,000$ | $4,62,000$ |
| Quantity to be purchased |  |  |

## 9. COMPUTATION OF VARIANCES

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Material Usage Variance \(=\) Standard Price \(\times\) (Standard Quantity - Actual Quantity)
    \(=₹ 4.00 \times\left(18,000^{*}\right.\) Kgs. \(-20,000 \mathrm{Kgs}\).)
    \(=\) ₹ \(8,000(A)\)
    * \(\left(1,800\right.\) units \(\left.\times \frac{20,000 \text { Kgs. }}{2,000 \text { units }}\right)\)
Labour Efficiency Variance \(=\) Standard Rate \(\times\) (Standard Hours - Actual Hours)
    \(=₹ 8.00 \times\left(14,400^{*}\right.\) hrs. \(-14,800\) hrs.)
    \(=\) ₹ 3,200 (A)
        * \(\left(1,800\right.\) units \(\left.\times \frac{16,000 \text { hrs. }}{2,000 \text { units }}\right)\)
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Variable Overhead Efficiency Variance

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    = Standard Variable Overheads for Production -
        Budgeted Variable Overheads for Actual hours
    \(=(14,400 \mathrm{hrs} . \times\) Rs. 3.00\()-(₹ 3.00 \times 14,800 \mathrm{hrs}\).
    = ₹ 1,200 (A)
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Fixed Overhead Volume Variance

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\begin{aligned}
= & \text { Absorbed Fixed Overheads }- \text { Budgeted Fixed } \\
& \text { Overheads } \\
= & (14,400 \text { hrs. } \times ₹ 3.00)-(16,000 \mathrm{hrs} . \times ₹ 3.00) \\
= & ₹ 4,800(\mathrm{~A})
\end{aligned}
$$

Sales Margin Volume Variance

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\text { Standard Margin - Budgeted Margin } \\
& =(1,800 \text { units } \times ₹ 56.00)-(2,000 \text { units } \times ₹ 56.00) \\
& =₹ 11,200 \text { (A) }
\end{aligned}
$$

Sales Contribution Volume Variance

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\text { Standard Contribution - Budgeted Contribution } \\
& =(1,800 \text { units } \times ₹ 80.00)-(2,000 \text { units } \times ₹ 80.00) \\
& =₹ 16,000(\mathrm{~A})
\end{aligned}
$$

Statement Showing "Reconciliation Between Budgeted Profit \& Actual Profit"

| Particulars | Conv. Method (₹) | Relevant Cost Method (₹) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Scarce Material | Scarce Labour | No Scarce Inputs |
| Budgeted Profit (2,000 units $\times$ ₹56) | 1,12,000 | 1,12,000 | 1,12,000 | 1,12,000 |
| Sales Volume Variance | 11,200 (A) | NIL* | 12,000s (A) | 16,000 (A) |
| Material Usage Variance | 8,000 (A) | 24,000 (A) | 8,000 (A) | 8,000 (A) |
| Labour Efficiency Variance | 3,200 (A) | 3,200 (A) | 7,200 (A) | 3,200 (A) |
| Variable Overhead Effi. Variance | 1,200 (A) | 1,200 (A) | 1,200 (A) | 1,200 (A) |
| Fixed Overhead Volume Variance | 4,800 (A) | N.A.\# | N.A. \# | N.A. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Actual Profit | 83,600 | 83,600 | 83,600 | 83,600 |

## NOTES

## Scarce Material

Based on conventional method, direct material usage variance is $₹ 8,000$ (A) i.e. $2,000 \mathrm{Kg}$. $\times$ ₹4. In this situation material is scarce, and, therefore, material cost variance based on relevant cost method should also include contribution lost per unit of material. Excess usage of $2,000 \mathrm{Kg}$. leads to lost contribution of ₹ 16,000 i.e. $2,000 \mathrm{Kgs} . \times ₹ 8$. Total material usage variance based on relevant cost method, when material is scarce will be: $₹ 8,000(A)+₹ 16,000(A)=₹ 24,000$ (A). Since labour is not scarce, labour variances are identical to conventional method.

Excess usage of $2,000 \mathrm{Kgs}$. leads to loss of contribution from 200 units i.e. ₹16,000 (200 units $\times$ ₹ 80 ). It is not the function of the sales manager to use material efficiently. Hence, loss of contribution from 200 units should be excluded while computing sales contribution volume variance.
(*) $\rightarrow$
Therefore, sales contribution volume variance, when materials are scarce will be NIL i.e. ₹16,000 (A) - ₹ $16,000(A)$.

## Scarce Labour

Material is no longer scarce, and, therefore, the direct material variances are same as in conventional method. In conventional method, excess labour hours used are: 14,400 hrs. $-14,800$ hrs. $=400$ hrs. Contribution lost per hour $=₹ 10$. Therefore, total contribution lost, when labour is scarce will be: $400 \mathrm{hrs} . \times ₹ 10=₹ 4,000$. Therefore, total labour efficiency variance, when labour hours are scarce will be ₹7,200 (A) i.e. ₹3,200 (A) + ₹4,000 (A).

Excess usage of 400 hrs. leads to loss of contribution from 50 units i.e. ₹4,000 (50 units $\times$ $₹ 80$ ). It is not the function of the sales manager to use labour hours efficiently. Hence, loss of contribution from 50 units should be excluded while computing sales contribution volume Variance.
(\$) $\rightarrow$
Therefore, sales contribution volume variance, when labour hours are Scarce will be ₹ 12,000 (A) i.e. ₹ $16,000(A)$ - ₹4,000 (A).

## Fixed Overhead Volume Variance

(\#) $\rightarrow$
The fixed overhead volume variance does not arise in marginal costing system. In absorption costing system, it represents the value of the under or over absorbed fixed overheads due to change in production volume. When marginal costing is in use there is no overhead volume variance, because marginal costing does not absorb fixed overheads.
10. (i)

Computation of Weighted Average Transfer Price

| Particulars | External Demand <br> 15,000 <br> Components | External Demand <br> 19,000 <br> Components | External Demand <br> 35,000 <br> Components |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Component's <br> Transfer Price <br> (Base) | Variable Cost | Variable Cost plus <br> Opportunity Cost <br> for 4,000 <br> Components | Variable Cost plus <br> Opportunity Cost for <br> 20,000 Components |
| Variable Cost | $₹ 157.00$ | $₹ 157.00$ | $₹ 157.00$ |
| Opportunity <br> Cost | 0 | $₹ 28.60$ <br> $\left(\frac{4,000}{20,000} \times ₹ 143\right)$ | $₹ 143.00$ <br> $\left(\frac{20,000}{20,000} \times ₹ 143\right)$ <br> Transfer Price |

Opportunity Cost for a Component is the Contribution forgone by not Selling it to the market.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\text { Contribution } & =\text { Market Selling Price }- \text { Variable Cost } \\
& =₹ 300-₹ 157=₹ 143
\end{aligned}
$$

Statement Showing Profitability of Division- $\mathbf{X}$

| Particulars | External Demand <br> 15,000 <br> Components <br> $(₹)$ | External Demand <br> 19,000 <br> Components <br> $(₹)$ | External Demand <br> 35,000 <br> Components <br> $(₹)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales: |  |  |  |
| Division-Y | $31,40,000$ | $37,12,000$ | $60,00,000$ |


| Market | $(₹ 157 \times 20,000)$ | $(₹ 185,60 \times 20,000)$ | $(₹ 300 \times 20,000)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Revenue | $45,00,000$ <br> $(₹ 300 \times 15,000)$ | $45,00,000$ <br> $(₹ 300 \times 15,000)$ | $45,00,000$ <br> $(₹ 300 \times 15,000)$ |
| Less: Variable Cost <br> $(₹ 157 \times 35,000)$ | $540,95,000$ | $82,12,000$ | $1,05,00,000$ |
| Less: Fixed Cost | $20,62,000$ | $20,62,000$ | $20,62,000$ |
| Profit | 83,000 | $6,55,000$ | $29,43,000$ |

(ii) Statement Showing Profitability of Division- Y

| Particulars | External Demand 15,000 Components (₹) | External Demand 19,000 Components (₹) | External Demand 35,000 Components (₹) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Selling Price per unit | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Less: Variable Cost per unit: | $\begin{gathered} 314.00 \\ (₹ 157 \times 2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 371.20 \\ (₹ 185.60 \times 2) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 600.00 \\ (₹ 300 \times 2) \end{gathered}$ |
| Component-X |  |  |  |
| Others | 375.00 | 375.00 | 375.00 |
| Contribution per unit | 511.00 | 453.80 | 225.00 |
| No. of units | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Total Contribution | 51,10,000 | 45,38,000 | 22,50,000 |
| Less: Fixed Cost | 13,50,000 | 13,50,000 | 13,50,000 |
| Profit | 37,60,000 | 31,88,000 | 9,00,000 |

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Once the initial basic feasible solution is done, we have to do the optimality test. If it satisfy the condition that number of allocation is equal to $\mathrm{m}+\mathrm{n}-1$ where $\mathrm{m}=$ number of rows, $\mathrm{n}=$ number of columns. If allocation is less than $\mathrm{m}+\mathrm{n}-1$, then the problem shows degenerate situation. In that case we have to allocate an infinitely small quantity (e) in least cost and independent cell. Independent cells in Transportation Problems mean the cells which do not form a closed loop with occupied cells.
The table obtained after using VAM contains 4 occupied cells against the required number of $4+4-1=7$, hence the solution is degenerate.
To remove degeneracy, a letter ' $e$ ' is placed in three independent cells. The problem for test of optimality is reproduced in table below:

| Contractors | Job P |  | Job Q |  | Job R | Job S |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 112.50 | e | 100.00 | e | 127.50 | 167.50 |  |
| B | 142.50 | 105.00 | 1 | 157.50 | 137.50 |  |  |
| C | 122.50 | e | 130.00 | 120.00 | 1 | 160.00 |  |
| D | 102.50 | 1 | 112.50 | 150.00 | 137.50 |  |  |

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## Alternatively, 'e' can also be allocated to cell $\mathrm{C}_{42}$ instead of $\mathrm{C}_{11}$.

Now total number of allocations become equal to $m+n-1$ i.e. 7. This solution is tested for optimality.
( $u_{i}+v_{j}$ ) Matrix for Allocated / Unallocated Cells

|  | 112.50 | 100.00 | 110.00 | 167.50 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 117.50 | 105.00 | 115.00 | 172.50 | 5.00 |
|  | 122.50 | 110.00 | 120.00 | 177.50 | 10.00 |
|  | 102.50 | 90.00 | 100.00 | 157.50 | - |
| $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{j}}$ | 112.50 | 100.00 | 110.00 | 167.50 |  |

Now we calculate $\Delta_{i j}=C_{i j}-\left(u_{i}+v_{j}\right)$ for non basic cells which are given in the table below-
$\Delta_{\mathrm{ij}}$ Matrix

|  |  | 17.50 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 25.00 |  | 42.50 | -35.00 |
|  | 20.00 |  | -17.50 |
|  | 22.50 | 50.00 | -20.00 |

Since all values of $\Delta_{i j}$ are not positive, the solution given above is not optimal. Let us include the cell with highest negative $\Delta_{i j}$ which is $\mathrm{C}_{24}$ as a basic cell and try to improve the solution. The reallocated solution is given below which is tested for optimality-


Revised allocations (improved initial solution) are as follows-

| Contractors | Job P |  | Job Q |  | Job R | Job S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 112.50 | e | 100.00 | 1 | 127.50 | 167.50 |
| B | 142.50 | 105.00 | e | 157.50 | 137.50 | 1 |
| C | 122.50 | e | 130.00 | 120.00 | 1 | 160.00 |
| D | 102.50 | 1 | 112.50 | 150.00 | 137.50 |  |

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Again there is a situation of degenracy to remove this situation a new ' $e$ ' has been allocated to least cost independent cell $\mathbf{C}_{22}$.

$$
\left(u_{i}+v_{j}\right) \text { Matrix for Allocated / Unallocated Cells }
$$

| 112.50 | 100.00 | 110.00 | 132.50 | 0 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 117.50 | 105.00 | 115.00 | 137.50 | 5.00 |


| 122.50 | 110.00 | 120.00 | 142.50 | 10.00 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 102.50 | 90.00 | 100.00 | 122.50 | 1000 <br> -$\quad 112.50$ |
| $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{j}}$ | 100.00 | 110.00 | 132.50 |  |

Now we calculate $\Delta_{i j}=C_{i j}-\left(u_{i}+v_{j}\right)$ for non basic cells which are given in the table below-

$$
\Delta_{\mathrm{ij}} \text { Matrix }
$$

|  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 17.50 | 35.00 |
| 25.00 |  | 42.50 |  |
|  | 20.00 |  | 17.50 |
|  | 22.50 | 50.00 | 15.00 |

Since all the entries in the above $\Delta_{\mathrm{ij}}$ Matrix table are non-negative, this solution is optimal. The optimal assignment is given below-

| Contractor | Job | Cost of Project |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | Q | 100.00 |
| B | S | 137.50 |
| C | R | 120.00 |
| D | P | 102.50 |
| Total |  | 460.00 |

12. (i) Calculation of Missing Figures

Statement Showing Calculation of Missing Figures

| Activity | Duration | EST | EFT | LST | LFT | Total <br> Float |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{i j}}$ | $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{i}}$ | $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{i}}+\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{i j}}$ | $\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{j}}-\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{i j}}$ | $\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{i}}$ | LST- EST |
| $1-2$ | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| $1-3$ | 12 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 14 | 2 |
| $1-4$ | 7 | 0 | 7 | 5 | 12 | 5 |
| $2-4$ | 8 | 4 | 12 | 4 | 12 | 0 |
| $2-5$ | 5 | 4 | 9 | 5 | 10 | 1 |
| $3-6$ | 9 | 12 | 21 | 14 | 23 | 2 |
| $4-6$ | 11 | 12 | 23 | 12 | 23 | 0 |
| $5-7$ | 13 | 9 | 22 | 10 | 23 | 1 |


| Activity | Duration | EST | EFT | LST | LFT | Total <br> Float |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\mathbf{i}}$ | $\mathrm{E}_{\mathbf{i}}+\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ | $\mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{j}}-\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ | $\mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{j}}$ | LST- EST |
| $6-7$ | 0 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 0 |
| $6-8$ | 5 | 23 | 28 | 25 | 30 | 2 |
| $7-8$ | 7 | 23 | 30 | 23 | 30 | 0 |
| $8-9$ | 6 | 30 | 36 | 30 | 36 | 0 |

(ii) The Network for the given problem:

(iii) Paths with their corresponding durations

The Various Paths in the Network are:
1-2-4-6-7-8-9 with Duration 36 Days
1-2-5-7-8-9 with Duration 35 Days
1-3-6-7-8-9 with Duration 34 Days
1-2-4-6-8-9 with Duration 34 Days
1-3-6-8-9 with Duration 32 Days
1-4-6-7-8-9 with Duration 31 Days
1-4-6-8-9 with Duration 29 Days
The Critical Path is $1-2-4-6-7-8-9$ with Duration 36 Days.
13. (i) Invalid

Reason: As per the rules of network construction, parallel activities between two events, without intervening events, are prohibited. Dummy activities are needed when two or more activities have same initial and terminal events. Dummy activities do not consume time or resources.
(ii) Valid

Reason: As per the conventions adopted in drawing networks, the head event or terminal node always has a number higher than that of initial node or tail event.
(iii) Invalid

Reason: The difference between the latest event time and the earliest event time is termed as slack of an event. Free float is determined by subtracting head event slack from the total float of an activity.
(iv) Invalid

Reason: For every critical activity in a network, the earliest start time and the latest start time is same and also the earliest finish time and the latest finish time is same.
(v) Invalid

Reason: The optimum duration is the time period in which the total cost of the project is minimum.
(vi) Valid

Reason: Resource leveling is a network technique used for reducing the requirement of a particular resource due to its paucity or insufficiency within a constraint on the project duration. The process of resource leveling utilize the large floats available on non-critical activities of the project and cuts down the demand of the resource.
14. Allocation of Random Numbers

Demand (units)

| Units | Probability | Cumulative <br> Probability | Random Nos. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10,000 | 0.20 | 0.20 | $00-19$ |
| 20,000 | 0.25 | 0.45 | $20-44$ |
| 30,000 | 0.30 | 0.75 | $45-74$ |
| 40,000 | 0.25 | 1.00 | $75-99$ |

Contribution per unit

| $₹$ | Probability | Cumulative <br> Probability | Random Nos. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 | 0.25 | 0.25 | $00-24$ |
| 35 | 0.30 | 0.55 | $25-54$ |
| 45 | 0.35 | 0.90 | $55-89$ |
| 55 | 0.10 | 1.00 | $90-99$ |

## Advertising Cost

| $₹$ | Probability | Cumulative <br> Probability | Random Nos. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50,000 | 0.22 | 0.22 | $00-21$ |
| 60,000 | 0.33 | 0.55 | $22-54$ |
| 70,000 | 0.44 | 0.99 | $55-98$ |
| 80,000 | 0.01 | 1.00 | $99-99$ |

Investment

| $₹$ | Probability | Cumulative <br> Probability | Random Nos. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $50,00,000$ | 0.10 | 0.10 | $00-09$ |
| $55,00,000$ | 0.30 | 0.40 | $10-39$ |
| $60,00,000$ | 0.45 | 0.85 | $40-84$ |
| $65,00,000$ | 0.15 | 1.00 | $85-99$ |

Simulation Table

| Random <br> Number | Demand <br> Units | Contribution <br> Per unit <br> (₹) | Adv. <br> Cost <br> (₹) | Return <br> (₹) | Investment <br> (₹) | Return on <br> Investment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{0 9 , 2 4 , 8 5 , 0 7}$ | 10,000 | 25 | 70,000 | $1,80,000$ | $50,00,000$ | $3.60 \%$ |
| $84,38,16,48$ | 40,000 | 35 | 50,000 | $13,50,000$ | $60,00,000$ | $22.50 \%$ |
| $41,73,54,57$ | 20,000 | 45 | 60,000 | $8,40,000$ | $60,00,000$ | $14.00 \%$ |
| $92,07,99,64$ | 40,000 | 25 | 80,000 | $9,20,000$ | $60,00,000$ | $15.33 \%$ |
| $65,04,78,72$ | 30,000 | 25 | 70,000 | $6,80,000$ | $60,00,000$ | $11.33 \%$ |

Highest Likely Return is $22.50 \%$ relating to trial 2 .
15. Working Note

The usual learning curve model is

$$
y=a x^{b}
$$

## Where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y=\text { Average time per unit for } x \text { units } \\
& a=\text { Time required for first unit } \\
& x=\text { Cumulative number of units produced } \\
& b=\text { Learning coefficient }
\end{aligned}
$$

## W.N. 1

Time required for first 15 units based on revised learning curve of $80 \%$ (when the time required for the first unit is 10 hours)

$$
\begin{aligned}
y & =10 \times(15)-0.322 \\
\log y & =\log 10-0.322 \times \log 15 \\
\log y & =\log 10-0.322 \times \log (5 \times 3) \\
\log y & =\log 10-0.322 \times[\log 5+\log 3] \\
\log y & =1-0.322 \times[0.69897+0.47712] \\
\log y & =0.6213 \\
y & =\text { antilog of } 0.6213 \\
y & =4.181 \text { hours } \\
\text { Total time for } 15 \text { units } & =15 \text { units } \times 4.181 \text { hours } \\
& =62.72 \text { hours }
\end{aligned}
$$

Time required for first 14 units based on revised learning curve of $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ (when the time required for the first unit is 10 hours)

$$
\begin{aligned}
y & =10 \times(14)-0.322 \\
\log y & =\log 10-0.322 \times \log 14 \\
\log y & =\log 10-0.322 \times \log (2 \times 7) \\
\log y & =\log 10-0.322 \times[\log 2+\log 7] \\
\log y & =1-0.322 \times[0.3010+0.8451] \\
\log y & =0.63096 \\
y & =\text { antilog of } 0.63096 \\
y & =4.275 \text { hrs } \\
\text { Total time for } 14 \text { units } & =14 \text { units } \times 4.275 \text { hrs } \\
& =59.85 \text { hrs }
\end{aligned}
$$

Time required for 25 units based on revised learning curve of $80 \%$ (when the time required for the first unit is 10 hours)
Total time for first 15 units
$=62.72 \mathrm{hrs}$
Total time for next 10 units
$=28.70 \mathrm{hrs}$ [(62.72-59.85) hours $\times 10$ units]
Total time for 25 units
$=62.72 \mathrm{hrs}+28.70 \mathrm{hrs}$
$=91.42 \mathrm{hrs}$
W.N. 2

Computation of Standard and Actual Rate
Standard Rate

Actual Rate
$=\frac{₹ 1,19,288}{180.74 \mathrm{hrs}}$.
$=₹ 660.00$ per hr.
$=\frac{₹ 79,704}{118.08 \mathrm{hrs} .}$
$=₹ 675.00 \mathrm{per} \mathrm{hr}$.

## W.N. 3

## Computation of Variances

| Labour Rate Variance | $=$ Actual Hrs $\times($ Std. Rate - Actual Rate $)$ |
| ---: | :--- |
|  | $=118.08 \mathrm{hrs} \times(₹ 660.00-₹ 675.00)=₹ 1,771.20(\mathrm{~A})$ |
| Labour Efficiency Variance | $=$ Std. Rate $\times($ Std. Hrs - Actual Hrs $)$ |
|  | $=₹ 660 \times(91.42 \mathrm{hrs}-118.08 \mathrm{hrs})$ |
|  | $=₹ 17,595.60(\mathrm{~A})$ |

Statement of Reconciliation (Actual Figures Vs Budgeted Figures)

| Particulars | $₹$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Actual Cost | $79,704.00$ |
| Less: Labour Rate Variance (Adverse) | $1,771.20$ |
| Less: Labour Efficiency Variance (Adverse) | $17,595.60$ |
| Budgeted Labour Cost (Revised) | $60,337.20$ |

Budgeted Labour Cost (Revised)*

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\text { Std. Hrs. } \times \text { Std. Rate } \\
& =91.42 \text { hrs. } \times \text { ₹ } 660 \\
& =₹ 60,337.20
\end{aligned}
$$

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Statement Showing Change in Profit

| Particulars | Large (₹) | Medium (₹) | Total (₹) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| I. Effect of Product Mix Changes |  |  |  |
| Revised Estimated Sales Quantity (Ratio 40:60) | 62,304 | 93,456 | $1,55,760$ |
| Revised Estimated Sales Quantity (Ratio 50:50) | 77,880 | 77,880 | $1,55,760$ |
| Difference in Sales Quantity | $(15,576)$ | 15,576 | NIL |
| Contribution Effect Thereon @ ₹8.60 and <br> ₹10.60 | $(1,33,953.60)$ | $1,65,105.60$ | $\mathbf{3 1 , 1 5 2}$ |


| II Effect of Volume Change |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Revised Estimate of Sales Quantity (50:50) | 77,880 | 77,880 |  |
| Original Estimate of Sales Quantity (50:50) | 60,000 | 60,000 |  |
| Difference in Sales Quantity | 17,880 | 17,880 | 35,760 |
| Contribution Effect Thereon @ ₹8 and ₹10 | $1,43,040$ | $1,78,800$ | $\mathbf{3 , 2 1 , 8 4 0}$ |
| III. Effect of Price Change |  |  |  |
| Revised Estimate of Sales Quantity (Ratio <br> 40:60) | 62,304 | 93,456 | $1,55,760$ |
| Difference in Price p.u. | 0.60 | 0.60 | 0.60 |
| Contribution Effect | $37,382.40$ | $56,073.60$ | $\mathbf{9 3 , 4 5 6}$ |
| IV. Effect of Expenses |  |  |  |
| Sales Promotion Expenses |  |  | $\mathbf{( 7 8 , 0 0 0 )}$ |
| Savings in Interest |  |  | $\mathbf{9 , 0 0 0}$ |
| Overall Increase in Profit |  |  | $\mathbf{3 , 7 7 , 4 4 8}$ |

Total Improvement in Profit ₹ $3,77,448$ (11.51\%).

## Workings

Budget for Original and Revised Contribution

| Particulars | Original Budget Estimate |  | Revised Estimate |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Description | (₹) | Description | (₹) |
| Market- Sales Quantity | 12,00,000 units |  | 14,16,000 |  |
| Company's Share | 1,20,000 units <br> (10\% of total) |  | 1,55,760 units <br> (11\% of total) |  |
| Sales Quantity |  |  |  |  |
| Large | 60,000 units (50\% of mix) |  | $\begin{array}{r} 62,304 \\ (40 \% \text { of mix }) \end{array}$ |  |
| Medium | 60,000 units (50\% of mix) |  | $\begin{array}{r} 93,456 \\ (60 \% \text { of mix) } \end{array}$ |  |
| Contribution Earned |  |  |  |  |
| Large | 60,000 units $\times$ ₹ 8 | 4,80,000 | 62,304 units $\times$ ₹ 8.60 | 5,35,814.40 |
| Medium | 60,000 units $\times$ ₹ 10 | 6,00,000 | 93,456 units $\times$ ₹ 10.60 | 9,90,633.60 |
| Effect of Expenses |  |  |  |  |
| Sales Promotion |  | --- |  | -78,000 |
| Interest |  | --- |  | 9,000 |
| Revised Contribution |  | 10,80,000 |  | 14,57,448 |

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This question can also be solved by computing Sales Contribution Price Variance, Sales Contribution Mix Variance, Market Size Variance, Market Share Variance.

