QUANTITATIVE TECHNIQUES

UNIT CODE: BUS/CU/AC/CC/03/6

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Apply Principles of Quantitative Techniques **Duration of Unit:** 140 hours

Unit Description

This unit specifies the competencies required to apply principles of quantitative techniques. It involves carrying out quantitative techniques, applying correlation and regression analysis, formulating linear programming models, carrying out operational matrices, applying time series, analysing project networks, applying calculus, formulating inventory control models, determining probability and probabilistic distribution and testing hypothesis.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Carry out quantitative techniques
- 2. Apply correlation and regression
- 3. Formulate linear programming models
- 4. Carry out operational matrices
- 5. Apply time series
- 6. Analyse project networks
- 7. Apply calculus
- 8. Formulate inventory control models
- 9. Determine probability and probabilistic distribution
- 10. Testing hypothesis

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested	
		Assessment Methods	
1. Carry out	• Meaning of terms	• Written tests	
quantitative	• Development of quantitative	Observation	
techniques	techniques	Oral questions	
	• Role of quantitative	• Third party	
	techniques in business and	report	
	industry	• Interviewing	
	• Types of quantitative	 Project and 	
	techniques	report writing	
	• Areas where quantitative		
	techniques are applicable		

2. Apply correlation and regression	 Meaning of terms Differences and similarities between correlation and regression analysis Methods of calculating correlation Interpretation of correlation coefficient Methods of calculating regression application of regression 	 Written tests Observation Oral questions Third party report Interviewing Project and report writing
3. Formulate linear programming	analysisMeaning of termsAssumptions of linear	Written testsObservation
models	 programming models Formulation of linear programming model Solving linear programming problems Application of linear programming 	 Oral questions Third party report Interviewing Project and
4. Carry out	• Meaning of terms	• Written tests
operational	 Types of matrices Determinants of order of a 	Observation Oral quastions
	 Determinants of order of a matrix (2*2 and 3*3) Inverse of a matrix 	 Oral questions Third party report
	Application of matrices	InterviewingProject and report writing
5. Apply time series	 Meaning of terms Objectives of time series analysis Components of time series analysis Application of time series 	 Written tests Observation Oral questions Third party report Interviewing Project and
		report writing

6. Analyse project networks	 Meaning of terms Rules applicable when drawing networks Construction of project network Critical path and project duration Application of network analysis 	 Written tests Observation Oral questions Third party report Interviewing Project and report writing
7. Apply calculus	 Meaning of terms Differentiation of simple functions Integration of simple functions Application of calculus 	 Written tests Observation Oral questions Third party report Interviewing Project and report writing
 Formulate inventory control models 	 Meaning of terms Setting Inventory control levels Minimization of cost of inventories Inventory control models 	 Written tests Observation Oral questions Third party report Interviewing Project and report writing
9. Determine probability and probabilistic distribution	 Meaning of terms Basic concepts of probability Laws of probability Probability distribution Application of probability distribution functions 	 Written tests Observation Oral questions Third party report Interviewing Project and report writing
10. Test hypothesis	 Meaning of terms Types of hypothesis Type 1 and 2 errors Critical and acceptance regions 	 Written tests Observation Oral questions Third party report

• Z-test and T-test	•	Interviewing
• Emerging issues	•	Project and
		report writing

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Suggested Methods of Instruction

- Project
- Demonstration by trainer
- Practice by the trainee
- Discussions
- Direct instruction
- Case study
- Audio –visual aids

Recommended Resources

- Printers,
- Computer,
- Calculator,
- Computer software's,
- Internet connectivity,
- Paper shredders,
- Photocopiers,
- Printers, scanners,
- Stationery