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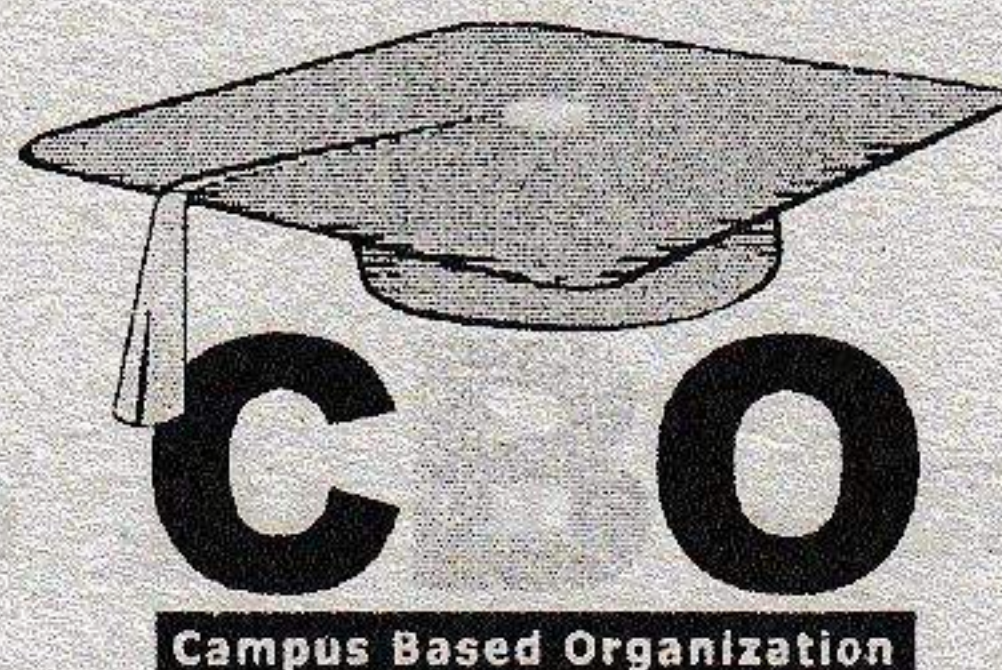
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**To my Lovely Daughter**

-----**Lamia**

**Prof. Dr. Md. Rafiqul Islam**

**To my pretty Son**

-----**Dhrubo**

**Mohammad Osman Gani**







## PREFACE TO THE FOURTH EDITION

We are happy to present a book on Business Mathematics to the readers of the subject. There are several books on Business Mathematics by eminent authors already available in the market. Yet we cannot help feeling that there is scarcely any that truly meets the requirements of B.B.S Honors students of the National University for the session 2009-2010. This humble effort for writing a book on Business Mathematics is directed precisely towards this goal. Hence, the approach in this book is governed strictly by that requirement.

Each chapter starts with a simple and lucid discussion of the topic followed by properly arranged worked-out problems and ends with theoretical questions and exercises. In any mathematics examination it is of utmost importance to practice answering questions so as to develop an answering technique. The purpose of this book is to help students acquire this technique. The more they practice, the more confident they will be. In fact, constant practice is the key to success in this field.

We would like to express our gratitude to our colleagues and students for their continuous encouragement and support to write the book.

We would like to thank Mrs. Fatema Akter of CBO Publications for his valuable contributions in turning the manuscript into a bound book. Much of the attractiveness of the presentation and layout of the book is due to his untiring efforts.

Care has been taken to make the book free from errors. In spite of the sincerest efforts on our part and also on the part of the printers and publishers, if any error still remains, we beg to be excused for the same.

We shall consider ourselves amply rewarded, should the book prove helpful to those for whom it is intended. Constructive criticisms and suggestions for improvement of the book are most welcome.

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**Mohammad Osman Gani**  
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## **PREFACE TO THE FIRST EDITION**

The primary objective of this textbook is to provide the basic concepts and applications of mathematics suited to the needs of students appearing in the examinations of BBS (Hons.), BBA and other professional examinations. This book reflects a special concern to present mathematical concepts in terms that the reader can understand and partake with a variety of examples. Thus the approach is to communicate the practical aspects of mathematics in a way that derives out the common fear of learning any mathematical subject.

Although there are several topics that could be included in this text, however, only those have been selected which are included in Business Mathematics course under the National University BBS (Hons) syllabus. The ordering of the chapter reflects the most desirable sequence of topic coverage, while at the same time allowing for flexibility in the choice of topics.

Dividing into nine chapters, each chapter explains in details, the important concepts and definition. Each concept and technique is properly supported by examples followed by numerous and varied types of solved problems to provide students and integrated view of theory and business applications of mathematics. A large number of problems with solutions have been added in each chapter to enable students to learn at their own pace. Most of the questions conform to the trend questions appearing in the university examinations.

I gratefully acknowledge the inspiration, encouragement and valuable suggestions received from the well wishers during the preparation of this book. I would like to thank Mr. Mujahid, owner of the CBO publications, for publishing the book. Specially, I would like to thank my honorable teacher Dr. Hairpada Bhattacharjee, Professor of Marketing, University of Dhaka for his valuable comments.

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I hope tried my best to make this book free from errors and omission. If you have any suggestions or material requiring clarification or potential errors, please write to me. Your suggestions and comments for the improvement of this text will be thankfully received and duly incorporated in the subsequent editions.

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# NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Syllabus for First Year BBA (Honours) in Accounting, Management,  
Marketing and Finance & Banking  
Effective From the session: 2009-2010

## BUSINESS MATHEMATICS

1. **Number System:** Introduction, Prime, Rational and Irrational numbers, even and odd numbers and their properties. Imaginary and complex numbers; sequence, series, Divergence of a sequence, sigma notation. Sum of natural numbers.
2. **Indices and Logarithms:** Indices, laws of indices, positive and fractional indices, operation with power functions. Introduction, Laws of operations, use of logarithm tables, Antilogarithm, Exponential series, logarithmic series.
3. **Theory of Sets:** Different types of sets, union, difference intersection, Cartesian products, Venn diagram, Application in business problems.
4. **The Straight Lines, Linear Equations and Inequalities:** Different forms of Equations- Parallel and perpendicular form of Equations-Point of intersection of lines-Interpretation of Slope of different business problems and Marginal Concept analysis, Solution of linear equations, solution of simultaneous linear equations. Identities and Inequalities and their solutions. Graphical representation of solution sets. Determination of Breakeven Point having linear relationship among the variables.
5. **Quadratic Equations:** Relationship between roots+/- and coefficients of a quadratic equation, Nature of roots. Solution of quadratic equations, formation of quadratic equations with given roots. Curve sketching of different linear and non linear equations.
6. **Binomial theorem:** Expansion of binomial terms with positive integral index – Determination of general term and middle terms of a Binomial expansion and exponential expansion.
7. **Permutations and Combinations:** Fundamental principles of permutations, permutations of things, all different and things, not all different, repeated and circular permutations. Combinations, relationship between permutation and combinations.
8. **Progression:** Introduction, Sum of Series in AP and GP, Use of concept of progression to find the present value and future value, Business problem solution.
9. **Mathematics of Finance:** Introduction, Annuities, Sinking Fund, Discount, Compound interest, Simple interest, Amortization.
10. **Matrices & Determinants:** Introduction, types of matrices, operation on matrices. Solution of simultaneous linear equations. Introduction, properties of determinants, operations on determinants. Expansions of determinants Sarrus diagram and Crammers rule and use in business. Leontiff input-output model analysis. Application to business problem.
11. **Differentiation, Integration & Use in Business Problems:** Differentiation of Algebraic functions, transcendental function. Definition of transcendental functions-Geometric interpretation of  $dy/dx$  and marginal concept analysis. Introduction, Different rules of integration, Indefinite and Definite integral, calculation of area of irregular curves and figures - Analysis of total concept by integration, Determination of maxima and minima of different functions using differentiation rules. Business problem solution. Conditions of maxima and minima, Test for maxima and minima. Point of inflexion.

### Books Recommended:

Gordon D. Prichett and John C. Saber, *Mathematics with Application in Management and Economics*, 7th Edition, Irwin, USA.

### Reference Books:

1. Sanchetti, D. C. and V. K. Kapoor: *Business Mathematics*. Published by S. Chand and Company Ltd.
2. Ann J. Hughes, *Applied Mathematics for: Business, Economics and the Social Sciences*, Latest Edition, Irwin, USA.



**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY**  
**BBA Professional Program**  
**BUSINESS MATHEMATICS**

1. **Basic Concepts of Number:** Introduction, Prime, Rational and irrational numbers, even and odd numbers, imaginary and complex number.
2. **Indices, Exponents and Logarithmic Functions:** Indices, laws of Indices, positive and fractional indices with operations, logarithmic and natural logarithm.
3. **Theory of sets:** definition of set, different types of set, Union, difference, intersection, Cartesian product, Venn diagram, Application to business problems.
4. **Linear and Quadratic functions:** Solution of linear and simultaneous linear equations, Relationship between roots and co-efficient of a quadratic equation, Nature of roots, solution of quadratic equation, formation of quadratic equation with given roots, Sketching of different linear and non-linear equations.
5. **Mathematics of Finance:** Annuities, sinking fund, discount, simple and compound interest, amortization, calculation of present and future value of annuities.
6. **Co-ordinate Geometry:** Cartesian co-ordinate system, distance between Points, Straight line, slopes, intercepts, Equation of cost line, business applications.
7. **Differential calculus:** Concepts, derivatives and differentiation, higher order differentiation, exponential and logarithmic differentiation, partial differentiation, optimization, business applications.
8. **Integral Calculus:** Meaning of integration, Rules of integration, Indefinite and definite integration, area determination, application to business.



# NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Syllabus for First Year Honours in Accounting, Management, Marketing and Finance & Banking

Effective From the session: 2004-2005

## BUSINESS MATHEMATICS

**Subject Code: 7231**

1. Basic Concepts: Concepts of number system, fractions, exponents, equations, factoring, polynomials, ordered pairs, relations, functions, types of functions.
2. Set Theory: Sets, set notation, operations with sets, laws of set operations, Venn diagrams, application of set theory.
3. Logarithms: Rules for logarithms, common logarithms, calculation of logarithm of a number, natural logarithm.
4. Equation System: Solution of equations, Simultaneous equation system, solution of simultaneous equation systems with specific applications to business problems, inequalities.
5. Geometry: Cartesian co-ordinate system, distance between two points, straight line-slopes-intercepts, equation of a line, application of linear equations.
6. Differential Calculus: Explanation of the concepts of limits and continuity, derivative and differentiation, rules of differentiation, higher order differentiation, chain order differentiation, exponential and logarithmic differentiation, partial differentiation, optimization, rate of growth and decays, business application.
7. Integral Calculus: Meaning of integration, rules of integration, indefinite integral, definite integral, resource depletion, resource accumulation, area between curves, business applications of integration in business decisions.
8. Matrix Algebra: Vectors, matrices, laws and operations transposes, inverse, adjoints, Cramer's rule, determinants, solution of system of equations, application of matrix algebra in business.
9. Mathematics of Finance: Annuities, sinking fund, discount, simple and compound interest, amortization, calculation of present value and future value of annuities.

### Books Recommended:

1. Gordon D. Prichett and John C. Saber, : Mathematics with application in Management and Economics, (Edition 7), Irwin, USA.
2. D.C. Sancheti & V.K. Kapoor : Business Mathematics, S. Chand & Sons, New Delhi, India.
3. Dr. Md. Rafiqul Islam : Business Mathematics, CBO Publications, 2003, Dhaka

[Any standard Bengali book covering the Syllabus will be considered as reference book]



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