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2. Differentiate between accounting profit and economic profit. [2]
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2. Contrast the economic and engineering definitions of cost. [2]
3. Explain the concept of price rigidity using the Kinked Demand Curve model. [5]
4. A monopolist faces the demand function, $P = 1000 - 2Q$ and the total cost function, $TC = 50 + 20Q$. [3+2]
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Set D

1. A SaaS firm has $FC = \text{Tk } 8,00,000$ per month, $v = \text{Tk } 100$ per user, $P = \text{Tk } 600$ per user. Compute the break-even quantity and break-even revenue for the firm. [3]
2. Differentiate between revenue and a cash inflow. Why is a Tk 50 lakh angel investment considering a cash inflow rather than revenue? [3]
3. Justify graphically that a monopoly firm can earn supernormal profit. [4]
4. A firm operating in a perfectly competitive market faces a constant market price of Tk 600. Total cost function is $TC = 2Q^2 + 100Q + 15,000$, which makes its marginal cost $MC = 100 + 4Q$. Using the profit-maximization rule: [2+3=5]
 - a) Calculate the firm's optimal output (Q^*).
 - b) At this output level, determine whether the firm is earning a supernormal profit, normal profit, or incurring a loss. Calculate the firm's total profit (or loss) at the optimal output level.

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a) Using the break-even formula, calculate the exact number of paying users required for the firm to break even.

b) Calculate the break-even revenue at the break-even quantity.

2. Compare the "Freemium" and "API Pricing" software revenue models. which real-world companies utilize them? **[3]**

3. Justify graphically that a perfect competitive firm can earn normal profit. **[4]**

4. An oligopolistic firm faces two types of demand: 1. Planned demand (rivals do not respond to price changes): $Q = 800 - 50P$ and 2. Actual demand (rivals respond to price changes):

$Q' = 400 - 10P$. **[2+3=5]**

a) Find the equilibrium price (P^*) and quantity (Q^*) at the kink point.

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