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# INTERMEDIATE: GROUP – II PAPER – 4: COST AND MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING Suggested Answers/ Solution PART I – Case Scenario based MCQs

1.	<b>1. i. A</b> Revised Sale = $\frac{\text{Revised FixedCost} + \text{Expected Profit}}{P/V \text{ Ratio}}$								
	ii.	D	Revised B	$= {₹115 + (20+10)} \div 45\% = ₹ 322.22 \text{ crores}$ $\text{reak} - \text{even Point} = \frac{\text{Fixed Cost}}{\text{P/V Ratio}}$					
			= ₹115 Cro	o <mark>re ÷ 45</mark> % = ₹255.56 Crore <mark>(Refer w</mark> orking notes)					
	iii.	D	Revised M	ar <mark>gin of Sa</mark> fety = Revised Sales – Revised Break– even Sales					
			= ₹ 322.2	22Cro <mark>res – ₹ 25</mark> 5.56Crores <mark>= <b>₹ 66.6</b>6 <b>Crores.</b></mark>					
	iv.	С	₹ 20 Crore	e & ₹30 Crore respectively ( <mark>Refer wo</mark> rking note)					
	<b>v</b> .	Α	Total cost	in last year <mark>= ₹230 Crore</mark>					
		,	Total cost in coming year = V <mark>ariable Cost + Fixe</mark> d Cost						
			Revised sales × 55% + 115 Crore						
			= ₹ 322.22	22.22 Crore × 55% + ₹ 115 Crore = ₹ 29 <mark>2</mark> .22 Crore					
	Working Note								
7	Pres	sent S	ales and F	Profit					
	Total Sales		]=9	Break – even Sales + Margin of Safety					
			-0	₹ 200 Crores + ₹ 50 Crores					
			=	₹ 250 Crores					
	P/V	Ratio	=	40%					
	Variable Cost		ost =	60% of Sales					
			=	₹ 250 Crores × 60%					
			=	₹ 150 Crores					
	Fixed Cost		=	Break – even Sales × P/V Ratio					
			=	₹ 200 Crores × 40%					
			=	₹ 80 Crores					
				1					

Total Cost	=	₹ 150 Crores + ₹ 80 Crores
	=	₹ 230 Crores
Profit	=	Total Sales – Total Cost
	=	₹ 250 Crores – ₹ 230 Crores
	=	₹ 20 Cores

**Revised Sales** 

(₹ in Crores)

Present Fixed Cost					
Increase in Fixed Cost	20.00				
Interest at 15 <i>per c<mark>ent</mark></i> on Additional Capital (₹100Crores × 15%)	15.00				
Total Revised Fixed Cost (in crore)	115.00				
Assuming that th <mark>e Pres</mark> ent Selling Price is ₹100					
Revised Selling Price will be (8% Less)	92.00				
New Variable Cost (Reduced from 60% to 55%) of Sales (₹ 92 × 55%)	50.60				
Contribution (₹92.00 – ₹ 50.60)	41.40				

New P / V Ratio

= 4<mark>5%</mark>

2. i. D Variable Overhead Cost = Standard Variable Overheads for Production – Actual Variance Variable Overheads **=** ₹ 44,800 – ₹ 5,680 = ₹ 10,880 (A) ii. С **Fixed Overhead Volume** = Absorbed Fixed Overheads Budgeted Fixed Overheads Variance = ₹ 87,200 - ₹ 1,09,000 =₹ 21,800 (A) iii. Α Fixed Overhead Expenditure = Budgeted Fixed Overheads -Actual Fixed Overheads Variance = ₹ 10.9 × 10,000 units – ₹ 1,30,520 = ₹ 21,520 (A) **Calendar Variance** = Possible Fixed Overheads - Budgeted iv. В **Fixed Overheads** = ₹ 1,03,550 - ₹ 1,09,000

## = ₹ 5,450 (A)

v. A Fixed Overhead Cost Variance = Absorbed Fixed Overheads - Actual Fixed Overheads

= ₹ 87,200 - ₹ 1,30,520

= ₹ 43,320 (A)

## WORKING NOTE

Fixed Overheads = Budgeted Fixed Overheads Budgeted Output	₹ 10.00
= 12,00,000÷1,20,000	
Fixed Overheads element in <i>Semi-Variable</i> Overheads i.e. 60% of ₹ 1,8 <mark>0,000</mark>	₹ 1,08,000
Fixed Overheads = Budgeted Fixed Overheads Budgeted Output	₹ 0.90
₹ 1,08,000/12 <mark>0,000</mark>	
Standard Rate of Absorption of Fixed Overheads <i>per</i> <i>unit</i> (₹ 10.00 + ₹ 0.90)	₹ 10.90
Fixed Overheads Abs <mark>orbed on</mark> 8,000 units @ ₹ <mark>10.90</mark>	₹ 87,200
Budgeted Variable Overheads	₹ 6,00,000
Add: Variable element in Semi-Variable Overheads 40% of ₹ 1,80,000	_₹72,000
Total Budgeted Variable Overheads	₹ 6,72,000
Standard Variable Cost <i>per unit</i> = <u>Budgeted Variable Overheads</u> Budgeted Output	₹5.60
Standard Variable Overheads for 8,000 units @ ₹5.60	₹ 44,800
Budgeted Annual Fixed Overheads (₹ 12,00,000 + 60% of ₹ 1,80,000)	₹ 13,08,000
Possible Fixed Overheads = Budgeted Fixed Overheads Budgeted Days	₹ 1,03,550
= 1,09,000/20 days ×19 days	
Actual Fixed Overheads (₹ 1,19,000 + 60% of ₹ 19,200)	₹ 1,30,520
Actual Variable Overheads (₹ 48,000 + 40% of ₹ 19,200)	₹ 55,680

**3. A** (TT x 60) + [0.50 x (8-TT) x 60] = 420 TT\* = 6 hours

Time saved = 8-6 = 2

\* TT=Total Time Taken

**4. C** Ordering Cost = 4,00,000/320 = 1,250

Delivery Cost = 1,35,000/270 = 500

	A = 1,250 x 100 + 500 x 70 = 1,60,000									
	B = 1,250 x 220 + 500 x 200 = 3,75,000									
В	Direct labour	:	₹ 45,000							
	Direct expenses	:	₹ 15,000							
	Direct materials consumed	<u>₹ 67,500</u>								
	Prime Cost ₹ 1,27,500									

- 6. A Abnormal gain units = 7600 [8000 800] = 400 Abnormal gain =  $[40,000 - (800 \times 5)]/7200$  units x 400 units = 2,000
- 7. B Total cost = ₹ 5,25,000 Tonnes Km carried = 6,55,000 Unit Cost = ₹ 525000/655000 Km = ₹ 0.801

## PART-II– Descriptive Questions

1. (a) Process A Account

Dr

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D					01.
	₹				₹
To Materials	40,000	By Proc	Transfer ess B A/c	to	1,20,000
To Labour	<mark>40,0</mark> 00				
To Overheads	16,000				
	96,000				
To Profit (20% of transfer					
price, i.e., 25% of cost)	24,000				
	1,20,000				1,20,000

## Process B Account

Dr			Cr.
	₹		₹
To Transferred from Process A A/c	1,20,000	By Transfer to Finished Stock A/c	2,88,000
To Labour	56,000		
To Overhead	40,000		180
	2,16,000		
To Profit (25% of transfer price i.e., 33.33% of cost)	72,000		
	2,88,000		2,88,000

## **Statement of Total Profit**

	₹
Profit from Process A	24,000
Profit from Process B	72,000
Profit on Sales (₹ 4,00,000 – ₹ 2,88,000)	1,12,000
Total Profit	2,08,000

## (b) (i) Calculation of Economic Order Quantity

EOQ =  $\sqrt{\frac{2 \times \text{Annual Demand} \times \text{Ordering Cost}}{\text{Carryingcost per unit per annum}}}$ =  $\sqrt{\frac{2 \times 12,000 \text{ units } \times 1,200}{1,740 \times 0.12}}$  = 371 units (Approx)

(ii) Evaluation of Profitability of Different Options of Order Quantity(a) When EOQ is ordered

				(₹)
Purchase Cost	(12,000 units <sub>×</sub> ₹ 1,7	740)		2,08,80,000.00
Ordering Cost*	<mark>[(12,0</mark> 00 units ÷ 371 <sub>×</sub> ₹ 1,200]	units) i.e.	33	39,600.00
Carrying Cost**	( <mark>371 units</mark> x ₹ 1 x12/100)	1,740 ×	1⁄2	38,732.40
Total Cost				2,09,58,332.40

(b) When Quantity Discount of 5% is offered.

		(₹)
Purchase Cost	(12,000 units x ₹ 1,740 × 0.95)	1,98,36,000.00
Ordering Cost*	[(12,000 units ÷ 6,000 units) <sub>×</sub> ₹1,200]	2,400.00
Carrying Cost**	(6,000 units × ₹1,653 × ½ × 12/100)	5,95,080.00
Total Cost	1. 17	2,04,33,480.00

Advise – The total cost of inventory is lower if quantity discount offer is accepted. Hence, the company is advised to accept the quantity discount.

\* Ordering Cost =  $\frac{\text{AnnualDemand}}{\text{Order Quantity}}$  × Cost of placing an order

\*\* Carrying Cost =  $\frac{\text{Cost per unit } \times \text{Quantity ordered} \times \text{CarryingCost}}{2}$ 



(c) Let T hours be the total time worked in hours by the skilled worker (machine-man Sam); ₹ 30/- is the rate per hour; standard time is 4 hours per unit and effective hourly earning rate is ₹ 37.50 then

Earning = Hours worked × Rate per hour

+  $\frac{\text{Time saved}}{\text{Time allowed}}$  × Time taken × Rate per hour

(Under Rowan incentive plan)

₹ 37.5 T = (T × ₹ +  $\frac{(4-T)}{4}$  × T × ₹ 30 30) ₹ 37.5 = ₹ 30 + (4 - T) × ₹ 7.5 Or ₹ 7.5 T = ₹ 22.5 Or T = 3 hours

Total earnings and effective hourly rate of skilled worker (machine man Sam) under Halsey Incentive Scheme (50%)

Total earnings = (Hours worked × Rate per hour) + (½ Time saved × Rate per hour)

(under 50% Halsey Incentive Scheme)

= (3 hours × ₹ 30) + (½ × 1 hour × ₹ 30)

Effective hourly rate =  $\frac{\text{Total earnings}}{\text{Hours taken}} = \frac{\text{₹ 105}}{3 \text{ hours}} = \text{₹ 35}$ 

		Basis of	Total	Machines		
		apportionme	Total	Р	Q	R
		nt	(₹)	(₹)	(₹)	(₹)
(/	A) Standing Charges					
V	Insurance	Depreciation Basis	8,000	3,000	3,000	2,000
	Indirect Labour	Direct Labour	24,000	6,000	9,000	9,000
	Building Maintenance expenses	Floor Space	20,000	8,000	8,000	4,000
	Rent and Rates	Floor Space	1,20,000	48,000	48,000	24,000
	Salary of foreman	Equal	2,40,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
	Salary of attendant	Equal	<u>60,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>

2. (a)

## Computation of Machine Hour Rate

	Total standing charges		<u>4,72,000</u>	<u>1,65,000</u>	<u>1,68,000</u>	<u>1,39,000</u>
	Hourly rate for standing charges			<u>90.36</u>	<u>92.00</u>	<u>76.12</u>
(B)	Machine Expenses:					
	Depreciation	Direct	20,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
	Spare parts	Final estimates	13,225	4,600	5,750	2,875
	Power	K.W. rating	40,000	15,000	10,000	15,000
	Consumable Stores	Direct	<u>9,000</u>	<u>3,600</u>	<u>2,700</u>	<u>2,700</u>
	Total Machine expenses		<u>82,225</u>	<u>30,700</u>	<u>25,950</u>	<u>25,575</u>
	Hourly Rate for Machine expenses			<u>16.81</u>	<u>14.21</u>	<u>14.01</u>
	Total (A + B)		<u>5,54,225</u>	<u>1,9<mark>5,700</mark></u>	<u>1,93,950</u>	<u>1,64,575</u>
	Machine Hour rate			<u>107.17</u>	<u>106.22</u>	<u>90.13</u>

# Working Notes:

(i)	Calculation of effective working	ng hours:	
	No. of holidays 52 (Sundays)	+ 14 (other holid	<mark>ay</mark> s) = 66
	Saturday (52 – 2) = 50		
	No. of days (Work full time) =	365 <u>- 66 - 50 =</u>	<mark>= 2</mark> 49
		Hours	
T	Full days work 249 $\times$ 8	= 1,992	1 1
V O 1	Half days work $50 \times 4$	= _200	utech
	8,000	2,192	
			Hours
	Effective capacity 85% of 2,1	92 1	,863 (Rounded off)
	Less: Normal loss of time (Br	reakdown) 2% _	37 (Rounded off)
	Effective running hour	1	,826

(ii) Amount of spare parts is calculated as under:

	Р	Q	R
	₹	₹	₹
Preliminary estimates	4,000	4,000	2,000

Add: Increase in price @ 15%	600	600	300
	4,600	4,600	2,300
Add: Increase in consumption @ 25%	_	<u>1,150</u>	<u> </u>
Estimated cost	<u>4,600</u>	<u>5,750</u>	<u>2,875</u>

(iii) Amount of Indirect Labour is calculated as under:

	₹
Preliminary estimates	20,000
Add: Increase in wages @ 20%	4,000
	<u>24,000</u>

(iv) Amount of Consumables Stores is calculated as under:

	₹
Preliminary estimates	10,000
Less: Decrease in consumption @ 10%	<u>1,000</u>
	9,000

- (v) Interest on capital outlay is a financial matter and, therefore it has been excluded from the cost accounts.
- (b) Economic batch quantity in Batch Costing: In batch costing the most important problem is the determination of 'Economic Batch Quantity'. The determination of economic batch quantity involves two types of costs viz, (i) set up cost and (ii) carrying cost. With the increase in the batch size, there is an increase in the carrying cost but the set up cost per unit of product is reduced. This situation is reversed when the batch size is reduced. Thus there is one particular batch size for which both set up and carrying costs are minimum. This size of a batch is known as economic or optimum batch quantity.

Economic batch quantity can be determined with the help of table, graph or mathematical formula. The mathematical formula usually used for its determination is as follows:

E.B.Q = 
$$\sqrt{\frac{2DS}{C}}$$

Where, D= Annual demand for the product

S = Setting up cost per batch

C = Carrying cost per unit of production per annum

3. (a

## (a) (a) Flexible Budget for different levels

	₹	₹	₹	₹	₹
No. of Students	<u>60</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>180</u>
VARIABLE COST					
	0				

	Breakfast		3000	4500	6000	7500	9000	1
	Lunch		6000	9000	12000	15000	18000	1
	Теа		600	900	1200	1500	1800	1
	Entrance fee		<u>1200</u>	<u>1800</u>	<u>2400</u>	<u>3000</u>	<u>3600</u>	1
	Sub-total (A)		<u>10800</u>	<u>16200</u>	<u>21600</u>	<u>27000</u>	<u>32400</u>	1
	Variable cost/unit		180	180	180	180	180	1
	SEMI-VARIABLE							1
	COST							1
	Bus rent		13000	13000	19500	19500	26000	1
	Special permit fee	Э	1000	1000	1500	1500	2000	1
	Allowan <mark>ce</mark> f teachers	for	<u>2000</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>3000</u>	<u>3000</u>	<u>4000</u>	1
	Sub-total (B)		<u>16000</u>	<u>16000</u>	<u>24000</u>	<u>24000</u>	<u>32000</u>	1
	FIXED COST							1
	Block ent <mark>rance f</mark> e	е	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	1
	Prize to st <mark>udents</mark>		<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	1
	Sub total (C)		<u>3000</u>	<u>3000</u>	<u>3000</u>	<u>3000</u>	<u>3000</u>	1
	Total cost (A + B · C)	+	<u>29,800</u>	<u>35,200</u>	<u>48,600</u>	<u>54,000</u>	<u>67,400</u>	
)	Cost per student		496.67	391.11	405.00	360.00	374.44	
	Break-even level						₹	
	Collection per stu	der	nts				400	
	Less Variable Cos	st					<u>180</u>	

Since semi-fixed costs relate to a block of 50 students, the fixed and semi-variable cost for three level will be:

<u>220</u>

(b)

(c)

Contribution

Level of Student	51–100	101–150	151-200
Fixed + Semi–variable cost (₹)	19,000	27,000	35,000
Contribution per unit (₹)	220	220	220
Break Even level of students	86	123	159

## (b) (i) Statement of cost allocation to each product from each activity

	Product					
	A (₹) B (₹) C (₹) Total (₹)					
Power	10,00,000	20,00,000	15,00,000	45,00,000		
(Refer to working note)						

	(10,000 kWh × ₹ 100)	(20,000 kWh × ₹ 100)	(15,000 kWh × ₹ 100)	
Quality	31,50,000	22,50,000	27,00,000	81,00,000
Inspections	(3,500	(2,500	(3,000	
(Refer to	inspections	inspections	inspections	
working note)	×₹900)	×₹900)	× ₹ 900)	

## Working Note:

## Rate per unit of cost driver:

Power : (₹ 60,00,000 ÷ 60,000 kWh) = ₹100/kWh

Quality Inspection: (₹ 90,00,000 ÷ 10,000 inspections) = ₹900 per inspection

## (ii) Calculation of cost of unused capacity for each activity:

	(₹)
Power	15,00,000
(₹60,00,000 – <mark>₹45,00,0</mark> 00)	
Quality Inspections (₹90,00,000 – ₹81,00,000)	9,00,000
Total cost of unused capacity	24,00,000

4. (a)

## Job Cost Sheet for the period.....

				₹
	Direct materials			2,13,000
	Direct wages:			
	Machine shop		<mark>6</mark> 3,000	
	Assembly shop		<u>48,000</u>	<u>1,11,000</u>
T	•	Prime Cost		3,24,000
	Works overhead:	NHA	111	orh
	Machine shop		88,200	
	Assembly shop	1	<u>51,800</u>	1,40,000
	(~)	Work Cost	1	4,64,000
	Administration overhead	IN OF	10	92,800
	-7	Cost of Production		5,56,800
	Selling overhead			81,000
	Distribution overhead			<u>62,100</u>
		Total Cost		<u>6,99,900</u>

#### Schedule of Overhead Rate

(i) Works Overhead: Hourly rate = (Overhead amount ÷ Hours)

Machine shop = (88,200 ÷ 12,000) = ₹ 7.35 per hour

Assembly shop = (51,800 ÷ 10,000) = ₹ 5.18 per hour

(ii) Administrative Overhead as a % of works cost

$$= \frac{92,800}{4,64,000} \times 100 = 20\%$$

(iii) Selling and distribution overhead as % of works cost

 $=\frac{81,000+62,100}{4,64,000}\times100=30.84\%$ 

Labour hour rates are calculated as under:

Machine shop = ₹ 63,000 ÷ 12,000 hrs. = ₹ 5.25

Assembly shop = ₹ 48,000÷10,000 hrs. = ₹ 4.80

(b)

#### Cost Estimate for Job

Direct Materials			₹	₹	
(i)   25 kg @ <mark>₹ 17.20 p</mark> er kg			430		
(ii)   15 kg @ ₹ <mark>21 per kg</mark>			<u>315</u>	745.00	
Direct Labour					
Machine shop ( <mark>30 hrs. @ ₹</mark> 5.25)		1	57.50		
Assembly shop (4 <mark>2 hrs. @ ₹ 4.80</mark> )		2	01.60	<u>359.10</u>	
Prime	Cost			1104.10	
Works Overhead					
Machine shop (30 hours @ ₹ 7.35)		2	20.50		
Assembly shop (42 hours @ ₹ 5.18)		<u>2</u>	17.56	<u>438.06</u>	
Works	Cost			1542.16	
Administration overhead (20% of works cost)			1	<u>308.43</u>	7
Cost of Production		1	11	1850.59	
Selling and distribution cost (30.84% of wo cost)	rks	И		475.60	
Total Estimated Cost		1		<u>2326.19</u>	

#### (b) Detection of slow moving and non-moving item of stores:

The existence of slow moving and non-moving item of stores can be detected in the following ways.

- (i) By preparing and *perusing periodic reports* showing the status of different items or stores.
- (ii) By calculating the *inventory turnover period* of various items in terms of number of days/ months of consumption.

- (iii) By computing *inventory turnover ratio* periodically, relating to the issues as a percentage of average stock held.
- (iv) By implementing the use of a well designed information system.

# Necessary steps to reduce stock of slow moving and non-moving item of stores:

- (i) Proper procedure and guidelines should be laid down for the disposal of non-moving items, before they further deteriorates in value.
- (ii) Diversify production to use up such materials.
- (iii) Use these materials as substitute, in place of other materials.
- (c) When the Cost and Financial Accounts are integrated there is no need to have a separate reconciliation statement between the two sets of accounts. Integration means that the same set of accounts fulfil the requirement of both i.e., Cost and Financial Accounts.

## 5. (a) Cost sheet for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023.

Units produced - 14,000 units

Units sold - 14,153 units

	Particulars	Amount (₹)
	Raw materials purchased	43,50,000
	Add: Freight Inward	1,20,000
	Add: Opening value of raw materials	2,28,000
	Less: Closing value of raw materials	(3,05,000)
		43,93,000
	Less: Sale of scrap of material	(7,000)
	Materials consumed	43,86,000
	Direct Wages (12,56,000 + 1,50,000)	14,06,000
	Prime Cost	57,92,000
	Factory overheads (20% of Prime Cost)	11,58,400
	Add: Opening value of W-I-P	1,92,500
	Less: Closing value of W-I-P	(1,40,700)
	Factory Cost	70,02,200
	Add: Administrative overheads	1,73,000
	Cost of Production	71,75,200
	Add: Value of opening finished stock	6,08,500
	Less: Value of closing finished stock [₹ 500(71,75,200/14,350) × 767] (1,320 + 14,350 - 14,903 = 767 units)	(3,83,500)
	Cost of Goods Sold	74,00,200
	Distribution expenses (₹16 × 14,903 units)	2,38,448

Cost of Sales	76,38,648
Profit (Balancing figure)	9,90,189
Sales (₹ 579 × 14,903 units)	86,28,837

## (b) Workings:

Total occupancy = Occupancy in normal season + Occupancy in offseason

= (20 rooms × 80% × 8 months × 30 days) + (20 rooms × 50% × 4 months × 30 days)

= 3,840 + 1,200 = 5,040 room-days

Total Cost = Variable cost + Fixed cost

= (₹ 500 × 5,040 room-days) + ₹ 53,25,000

= ₹ 25,20,00<mark>0 + ₹ 5</mark>3,25,000

= 78,45,000

#### (a) Calculation of tariff rate per room

Tariff per room per day = (Total cost + 25% Margin on total cost) ÷ Total occupancy

= (₹ 78,45,00<mark>0 + 19,61</mark>,250) ÷ 5,040 = **₹ 1,945.6**8

### (b) Calculation of break-even occupancy

Contribution per day = Tariff – Variable cost

= ₹ 1,945.68 – 500 = ₹ 1445.68

Break-even occupancy = ₹ 53,25,000 ÷ 1445.68

= 3683

Occupancy in normal season = Break-even occupancy – Occupancy in off-season

- $= 3683 (20 \text{ rooms} \times 50\% \times 4 \text{ months} \times 30 \text{ days})$
- = 3683 1200 = 2483 room-days
- In Percentage = 2483 ÷ 4800 = 51.73%
- 6. (a) When the cost and financial accounts are kept separately, It is imperative that these should be reconciled, otherwise the cost accounts would not be reliable. The reconciliation of two set of accounts can be made, if both the sets contain sufficient detail as would enable the causes of differences to be located. It is therefore, important that in the financial accounts, the expenses should be analysed in the same way as in cost accounts. It is important to know the causes which generally give rise to differences in the costs & financial accounts. These are:
  - (i) Items included in financial accounts but not in cost accounts
    - Income-tax
    - Transfer to reserve

- Dividends paid
- Goodwill / preliminary expenses written off
- Pure financial items
- Interest, dividends
- Losses on sale of investments
- > Expenses of Co's share transfer office
- Damages & penalties
- (ii) Items included in cost accounts but not in financial accounts
  - Opportunity cost of capital
  - Notional rent
- (iii) Under / Over absorption of expenses in cost accounts
- (iv) Different bases of inventory valuation

Motivation for reconciliation is:

- To ensure reliability of cost data
- To ensure ascertainment of correct product cost
- To ensure correct decision making by the management based on Cost & Financial data
- To report fruitful financial / cost data.
- (b) The essential features, which a good Cost Accounting System should possess, are as follows:
  - (a) Informative and Simple: Cost Accounting System should be tailormade, practical, simple and capable of meeting the requirements of a business concern. The system of costing should not sacrifice the utility by introducing meticulous and unnecessary details.
  - (b) Accuracy: The data to be used by the Cost Accounting System should be accurate; otherwise it may distort the output of the system and a wrong decision may be taken.
  - (c) Support from Management and subordinates: Necessary cooperation and participation of executives from various departments of the concern is essential for developing a good system of Cost Accounting.
  - (d) **Cost-Benefit:** The Cost of installing and operating the system should justify the results.
  - (e) **Procedure:** A carefully phased programme should be prepared by using network analysis for the introduction of the system.
  - (f) **Trust:** Management should have faith in the Costing System and should also provide a helping hand for its development and success.

- (c) The following steps are useful for minimizing labour turnover:
  - (a) *Exit interview*: An interview to be arranged with each outgoing employee to ascertain the reasons of his leaving the organization.
  - (b) Job analysis and evaluation: to ascertain the requirement of each job.
  - (c) Organization should make use of a scientific system of recruitment, placement and promotion for employees.
  - (d) Organization should create healthy atmosphere, providing education, medical and housing facilities for workers.
  - (e) Committee for settling workers grievances.

#### OR

- (c) CVP Analysis:-Assumptions
  - (i) Changes in the levels of revenues and costs arise only because of changes in the number of products (or service) units produced and sold.
  - (ii) Total cost can be separated into two components: Fixed and variable
  - (iii) Graphically, the behaviour of total revenues and total cost are linear in relation to output level within a relevant range.
  - (iv) Selling price, variable cost per unit and total fixed costs are known and constant.
  - (v) All revenues and costs can be added, sub traded and compared without taking into account the time value of money.



