

Solution:

(i) See text.

(ii) Investment multiplier is given by

$$\frac{Y}{I} = \frac{1}{1 - b + bt}$$

but $b = 0.8 = \text{MPC}$, $t = 0.2$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{M_I}{I} \frac{Y}{I} &= \frac{1}{1 - 0.8 + 0.16} = \frac{1}{0.36} \\ &= \underline{2.78} \end{aligned}$$

Tax multiplier is given by,

$$\frac{M_t}{T} \frac{Y}{T} = \frac{-b}{1 - b + bt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow M_t &= \frac{-0.8}{1 - 0.8 + 0.16} = \frac{-0.8}{0.36} \\ &= \underline{-2.2} \end{aligned}$$

This means that a unit increase in the tax level will lead to a reduction in aggregate demand by 2.2 times.

The negative sign therefore shows that tax rate is inversely related to aggregate demand.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad Y &= \frac{a - bT_0 + I_0 + G_0}{1 - b + bt} \\ Y &= \frac{100 - (0.8 \times 50) + 200 + 300}{1 - 0.8 + 0.16} \\ &= \frac{620}{0.36} = 1722.2 \end{aligned}$$

Qn 2. Given that $C = 200 + 0.8Y_d$, $T = 100 + 0.25Y$,
 $I = 600$ and $G = 500$,

- Find the equilibrium level of income.
- Find the level of autonomous spending.
- Comment of the government budget position.

Solution(i) $Y = C + I + G$

$$Y = a + b(y - T) + I_0 + G_0$$

$$\Rightarrow Y = a + bY - BT_0 - bTY + I_0 + G_0$$

Collect like terms together,

$$Y - BY + BT_0 = a - bT_0 + I_0 + G_0$$

$$Y(1 - b + bt) = a - bT_0 + I_0 + G_0$$

$$\Rightarrow Y = \frac{a - bT_0 + I_0 + G_0}{1 - b + bt}$$