

**Review Article**

**EPQ MODEL FOR MULTIPLE MANUFACTURES SUPPLY CHAIN INVENTORY MODEL WITH ONE-PRICE BREAK**

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**Abstract**

In this paper Mathematical EPQ model for multiple manufactures supply chain inventory model with one-price breaks. The model developed small and large scale producers with non coordination stage considered both small and large scale producers produce single product and allowed shortages only for small scale producers. To obtain optimum production quantity with price breaks which will optimize the total inventory cost, economic production quantity with one price breaks. Numerical example and sensitivity analysis are analysed with various decision variables.

**Keywords:** Production, Inventory, Quantity Discount, One-price Break.

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**INTRODUCTION**

In general products with fixed lifetime like pharmaceutical items, perishable items, and beverage, etc., are produced by large and small scale producers. Sometimes the small and large scale producers produce the same product. In this case, the small producer (Small scale producer) might decide to purchase the same product from the large scale producer (Large scale producer) instead of producing it himself. At that time, large scale producer usually offered discounts on Manufacturer1 if they bought a lot of goods.

Fujiwara et al. [2] developed a model using optimal policy for perishable products of the two-stage inventory system. Arora et al. [1] analyzed an integrated approach supply chain vendor inventory model. Kaj - Mikael Bjork [4] investigated many finite production quantity inventory problems. Kit Nam Francis Leung [3] developed a comprehensive production inventory problem in a multi-company supply chain for multiple situations. Mahdi Tajbakhsh et al. [6] analyzed an inventory model using a random discount. Khan et al. [9] considered integrated supply chain with errors production inventory to obtain minimum average cost. Muniappan et al. [7] developed a back-ordering product inventory model for with quantity discount. Huang et al. [10] analyzed the single vendor- single buyer inventory model with production. Muniappan et al. [5] obtained economic order quantity to minimize inventory costs with deteriorating items. Muniappan et al. [8] developed an incentive inventory model for exponential function of cost of deteriorating products. Saoussen Krichen et al. [11] discussed single and multiple suppliers, cooperative retailer's inventory models, a quantity discount. Umamaheswari et al. [13] analysed the perishable goods with fixed lifetime for an optimal inventory.

Yongrui et al. [12] discussed buyer-vendor inventory problems for various stages to analyze discount incentives for the product. In this model developed two-stage manufacturer produces the same product. This paper is discussed Mathematical Formulation, assumption and notation, and analyzed different manufacturers using the same product with two stages, numerical analysis procedure.

**MODEL DEVELOPEMENT**

In non-coordination stage, the following assumptions and notations are considered throughout the model

**Assumptions**

- (1) Production rate is greater than constant demand ( $P > D$ )
- (2) Shortages is allowed for only small scale producer
- (3) Bothe producers produce single product

**Notations**

- $D_1, D_2$  Annual demand for small producer and large scale producers
- $P_1, P_2$  Both Producers rate of production per annum
- $b_1$  Range of small scale producer order quantity with one-price break
- $b_2$  Range of large scale producer order quantity with one-price break
- $L$  Life time of product
- $k_1, k_2$  Both Producers setup costs per annum
- $h_1, h_2$  Both Producers holding costs per unit per annum
- $p_1, p_2$  Both Producers price per unit per annum
- $Q = Q_1 + Q_2$ , order size of small scale producer
- $Q_1$  Order level which satisfies the shortage quantity
- $Q_2$  Order level which satisfies the demand units
- $Q_0$  Order quantity of large scale producer
- $m$  In the absence of coordination order multiple of large scale producer
- $TC_{M1}$  Without coordination, overall cost of the small scale producer
- $TC_{M2}(m)$  Without coordination, overall cost of large scale producer

**DEVELOPMENT OF MODEL WITHOUT COORDINATION**

In this case small scale producer and large scale producer produce the same product and shortages are allowed for small scale producer. The model formula is:

The total yearly cost for the Small scale producer is

$$TC_{M1} = \frac{D_1 k_1}{Q} + \frac{1}{2Q} \left( \frac{P_1}{P_1 - D_1} \right) \left[ h_2 \left( Q \left( 1 - \frac{D_1}{P_1} \right) - Q_2 \right)^2 + Q_2^2 s_2 \right] \quad (1)$$

Subject to One-Price Break

Quantity Price per Unit per Dollar

$$0 \leq Q < b_1$$

$$b_1 \leq Q_2$$

Now  $\frac{\partial TC_{M1}}{\partial Q} = 0$  and  $\frac{\partial TC_{M1}}{\partial Q_2} = 0$  we get,

$$Q = \sqrt{\frac{2D_1 k_2 (h_2 + s_2)}{h_2 s_2}} \left( \frac{P_1}{P_1 - D_1} \right) \text{ and } Q_2 = Q \left( 1 - \frac{D_1}{P_1} \right) \frac{h_2}{h_2 + s_2} \quad (2)$$

Without coordination strategy, the small scale producer order quantity is  $Q = \sqrt{\frac{2D_1 k_2 (h_2 + s_2)}{h_2 s_2}} \left( \frac{P_1}{P_1 - D_1} \right)$  and optimum total cost  $TC_{M1} = \sqrt{\frac{2D_1 k_2 h_2 s_2}{h_2 + s_2}} \left( 1 - \frac{D_1}{P_1} \right)$ .

**Model Formulation for Large Scale Producer**

Here, The annual average inventory of large scale producers is  $\frac{(m-1)Q_0 + (m-2)Q_0 + \dots + Q_0 + 0Q_0}{m} = \frac{(m-1)Q_0}{2}$

Now, the total yearly cost for the large scale producers is

$$TC_{M2}(m) = \frac{D_2 k_1}{mQ_0} + \frac{(m-1)h_1 Q_0}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{D_2}{P_2} \right) = \frac{k_1}{m} \sqrt{\frac{D_2 h_1}{2k_1} \left( \frac{P_2 - D_2}{P_2} \right)} + (m-1)h_1 \sqrt{\frac{D_2 k_1}{2h_1} \left( \frac{P_2 - D_2}{P_2} \right)}$$

Subject to the constraint One-Price Break

Quantity Price per Unit per Dollar

$$0 \leq Q < b_2$$

$$b_2 \leq Q_0$$

The large scale producer order =  $mQ_0$ , where

$$Q_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2D_2 k_1}{h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)}, \text{ with } t_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)}$$

**Scenario 1:**

Step 1: If the small scale producer order quantity  $Q_2^*$  lies in the prescribed range,  $Q_2^* \leq b_1$ , then  $Q_2^*$  is the optimum order quantity and optimum total inventory cost  $TC_{M1}(Q_2^*)$ .

Step 2: If  $Q_2^*$  is not equal to or is more than  $b_1$ , then calculate  $Q^*$  with price  $C_1$  and the corresponding total cost  $TC_{M1}(Q^*)$ . Identify total inventory cost of both  $TC_{M1}(b_1)$  and  $TC_{M1}(Q_2^*)$ , if  $TC_{M1}(Q_2^*) < TC_{M1}(b_1)$ , then the optimum economic order quantity is equal to  $Q^*$  otherwise economic order quantity is  $b_1$ .

**Scenario 2:**

Step 1: If the small scale producer order quantity  $Q_0^*$  lies in the prescribed range,  $Q_0^* \leq b_2$ , then  $Q_0^*$  is the optimum order quantity and optimum total inventory cost  $TC_{M1}(Q_0^*)$ .

Step 2: If  $Q_0^*$  is not equal to or is more than  $b_2$ , then calculate  $Q^*$  with price  $C_3$  and the corresponding total cost  $TC_{M1}(Q^*)$ . Identify total inventory cost of both  $TC_{M1}(b_2)$  and  $TC_{M1}(Q_0^*)$ , if  $TC_{M1}(Q_0^*) < TC_{M1}(b_2)$ , then the optimum economic order quantity is equal to  $Q^*$  otherwise economic order quantity is  $b_2$ .

So without coordination, the large scale producers model, can develop as

$$\begin{aligned} & \min TC_{M2}(m) \\ & \text{s.t. } \begin{cases} mt_0 \leq L, \\ m \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

here  $mt_0 \leq L$  Indicates that the product has not expired before being sold by a small producer.

**Theorem 1**

Consider  $m^*$  be the optimum of (1), if  $L^2 \geq \frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)$ , then

$$m^* = \min \left\{ \left\lceil \sqrt{\frac{k_1 h_2}{k_2 h_1} + \frac{1}{4}} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rceil, \left\lceil \frac{L}{\sqrt{\frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)}} \right\rceil \right\}, \quad (3)$$

here  $\lceil x \rceil$  is the least integer greater than or equal to

$x, L^2 \geq \frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)$  is to ensure that  $m^* \geq 1$

**Proof**

$\frac{d^2 TC_{M2}(m)}{dm^2} = \frac{k_1}{m^3} \sqrt{\frac{2D_2 h_1}{k_1} \left( \frac{P_2 - D_2}{P_2} \right)} > 0$ ,  $TC_{M2}(m)$  is strictly convex in  $m$ .

Considered  $m_1^*$  be the optimum of  $\min TC_{M2}(m)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} m_1^* &= \max \{ \min \{ m / TC_{M2}(m) \leq TC_{M2}(m+1) \}, 1 \} \\ &= \max \{ \min \{ m / m(m+1) \} \\ &\geq \frac{2D_2 k_1}{Q_0^2 \left( 1 - \frac{D_2}{P_2} \right) h_1}, 1 \} = \left\lceil \sqrt{\frac{h_2 k_1}{h_1 k_2} + \frac{1}{4}} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rceil \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Put the value of  $t_0$  into the constraints in (1), then we have

$$m \sqrt{\frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)} \leq L$$

Take  $m_2^* = \frac{L}{\sqrt{\frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)}} \geq 1$ , is true since

$$L^2 \geq \frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)$$

$m^* = m_1^*$  where  $m_1^* \leq m_2^*$ , otherwise  $m^* = m_2^*$ . Therefore

$$m^* = \min \{ m_1^*, m_2^* \}, \text{ if } L^2 \geq \frac{2k_1}{D_2 h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)$$

Hence without coordination, the small scale producer optimum

total cost is  $TC_{M1}$ , order size is  $\sqrt{\frac{2D_1 k_2 (h_2 + s_2)}{h_2 s_2}} \left( \frac{P_1}{P_1 - D_1} \right)$  and

the large scale producer optimum total cost is  $TC_{M2}(m^*)$ , order size is  $m^* \sqrt{\frac{2D_2 k_1}{h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)}$

**NUMERICAL EXAMPLE**

Example 1: The annual demand of small scale producer of his product  $D_1 = 10,000$  units per year, the production rate  $P_1 = 15000$  units per year, each unit price cost  $h = Rs.100$ , if the orders are placed in quantities  $b_1 = 200$  units. For order of 200 and above, however the price  $h_2 = Rs.95$ . The annual setup cost  $k_2 = Rs.5$  per order, shortage cost  $s_2 = Re.1$ , the annual inventory holding cost is 10% of the item value.

The optimum order quantity

$$Q_2^* = Q \left( 1 - \frac{D_1}{P_1} \right) \frac{h_2}{h_2 + s_2} = \text{units with}$$

$$Q = \sqrt{\frac{2D_1 k_2 (h_2 + s_2)}{h_2 s_2}} \left( \frac{P_1}{P_1 - D_1} \right) = \text{units}$$

Since  $Q_2^*$  is not 200 or more than 200 units therefore economic order quantity  $Q^* = 59$  units and optimum total inventory cost

$$TC(Q^*) = \frac{D_1 k_2}{Q} + \frac{1}{2Q} \left( \frac{P_1}{P_1 - D_1} \right) \left[ h_2 \left( Q \left( 1 - \frac{D_1}{P_1} \right) - Q_2 \right)^2 + Q_2^2 s_2 \right] = Rs.882.0016$$

Example 2: The annual demand of large scale producer of his product  $D_2 = 20,000$  units per year, the production rate  $P_2 = 30000$  units per year, each unit price cost  $h = Rs.100$ , if the

orders are placed in quantities  $b_2 = 200$  units. For order of 200 and above, however the price  $h_1 = Rs.95$ . The annual setup cost  $k_1 = Rs.5$  per order, shortage cost  $s_2 = Re.1$ , the annual inventory holding cost is 10% of the item value.

The optimum order quantity

$$Q_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2D_2k_1}{h_1} \left( \frac{P_2}{P_2 - D_2} \right)} = 2 \text{ units,}$$

Since  $Q_0^*$  is lie in the range 200 or more than 200 units therefore economic order quantity,  $Q_0^* = 251$  units and optimum total inventory cost is

$$\begin{aligned} TC_{M_2}(m) &= \frac{D_2k_1}{mQ_0} + \frac{(m-1)h_1Q_0}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{D_2}{P_2} \right) \\ &= \frac{k_1}{m} \sqrt{\frac{D_2h_1}{2k_1} \left( \frac{P_2 - D_2}{P_2} \right)} + (m-1)h_1 \sqrt{\frac{D_2k_1}{2h_1} \left( \frac{P_2 - D_2}{P_2} \right)} \\ &= \text{Rs. } 596.6196 \end{aligned}$$

**Sensitivity Analysis**

We now check the effect of changing the values of the system

parameters  $h_1, h_2, k_1, k_2, s_2$  on the small scale producer and large scale producer minimum total relevant cost per unit

time  $TC_{M_1}^*, TC_{M_1}^*$ . Perform a sensitivity analysis by acquiring one parameter at a time and leaving the remaining parameters unchanged. Table 1 shows the results.

**Table 1: Effect of changes in the parameters of the inventory**

Parameters		$TC_{M_1}$	$TC_{M_1}^*$
$k_1$	400	1250	1369.3
	450	1250	1369.3
	500	1250	1369.3
$k_2$	50	885	965.25
	100	125	1369.3
	150	1531	1677.1
$s_2$	35	1281	1369.3
	45	1299	1369.3
	55	1311	1369.3
$h_1$	12	1250	1369.3
	14	1250	1369.3
	16	1250	1369.3
$h_2$	6	1347	1500.0
	7	1432	1620.2
	8	1508	1732.1

The above table indicates that

- The optimum total cost of large scale producer with coordination is less than that without coordination i.e., large scale producer is convincingly highly benefitted than small scale producer in spite of giving quantity discount.
- An increase in holding cost for large scale producer the optimal total cost of small scale producer and large scale producer remain same or increase.
- Reducing the cost of holding for small scale producer tends to reduce in total cost for small scale producer and large scale producer.
- The set up cost for small scale and large scale producer decrease, automatically the total cost of small scale producer and large scale producer gets decreased.

**CONCLUSION**

This paper develops Mathematical Analysis on multiple manufactures supply chain inventory model with one-price break. This model assumes non coordination system. In absence of coordination, small scale and large scale producer produce the similar product with one-price break, shortages allowed for small scale producer. This paper discussed to optimize the total

inventory cost and optimum order quantity with one-price break, various decision variables. Numerical and sensitivity analysis of changes in decision variables is also discussed. Future models can be extended by considering multiple factors, such as multiple price discounts, providing random discounts, credit periods, varying holding cost, exponential demand etc., Numerical analysis and Sensitivity analysis on the decision variable changes is also discussed. The future model can be extended by considering various factors like multiple price break, random discount offering, credit periods, varying holding cost, exponential demand etc.,

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