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A. Find initial equilibrium price and quantity in the market of Panadol.

Solution:

As we know that at equilibrium :

$$Q_d = Q_s$$

$$1000 - 200P = 100 + 400P$$

$$400P + 200P = 1000 - 100$$

$$600P = 900$$

$$P = 900/600$$

$$P = 1.5$$

Putting the value of price in any of demand and supply equation

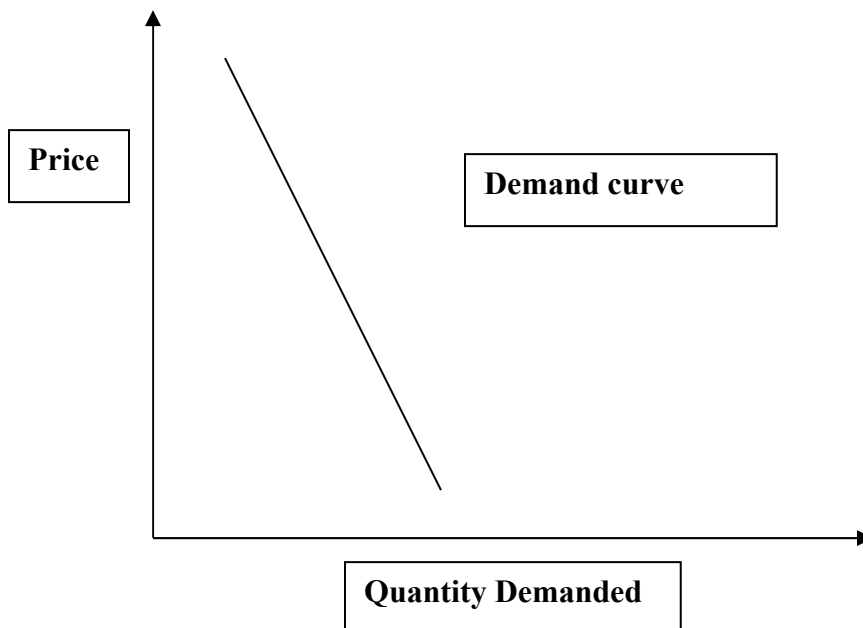
$$Q = 1000 - (200 * 1.5)$$

$$= 700$$

The **equilibrium price is 1.5** and the **equilibrium quantity is 700**

B. How would the shift of customers to Disprine have affected the market for Panadol? Support your answer with diagram.

Diagram:

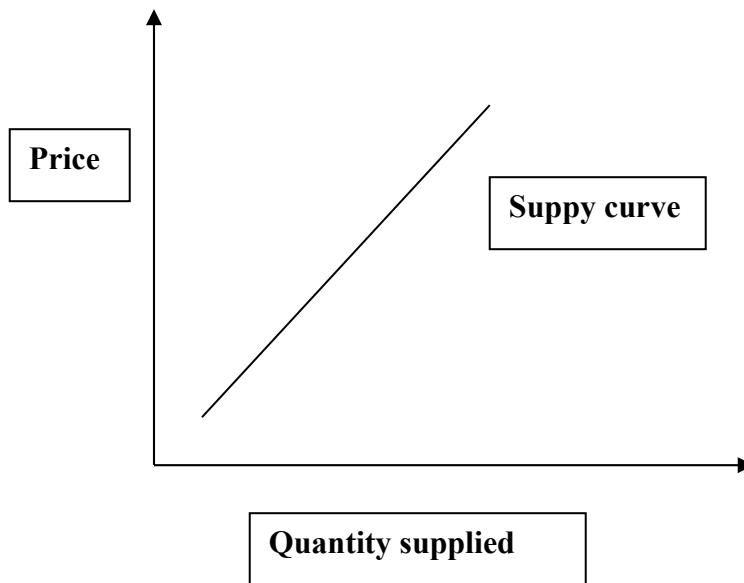


Points to support my answer are :

Due to decrease in consumers no there is

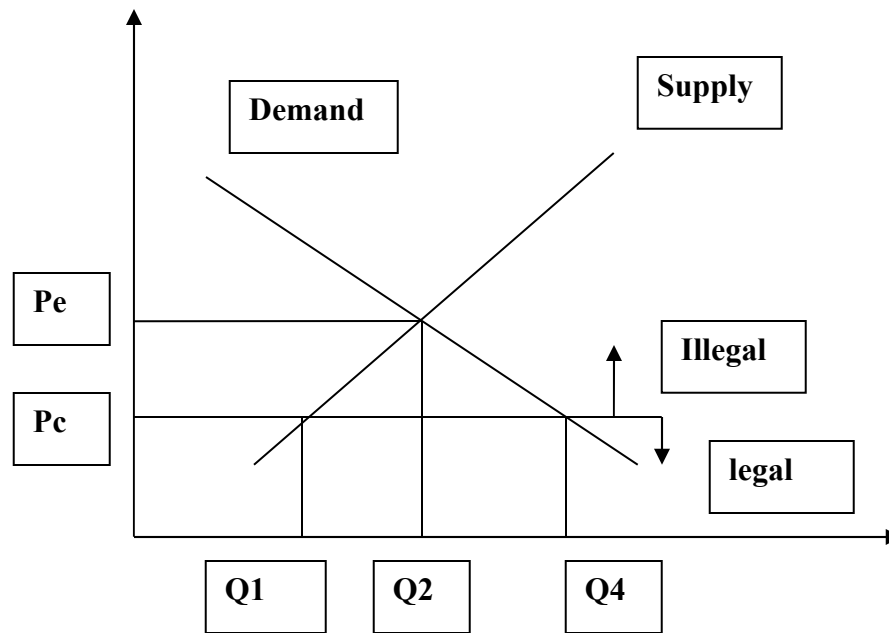
- 1- decrease in demand
- 2- direction of shift in the demand curve will be leftward
- 3- equilibrium price $\uparrow$ decrease
- 4- equilibrium quantity $\uparrow$ decrease

C: How would the increase in cost of production have affected the market for Panadol? Illustrate graphically.



- 1- Decrease in supply
- 2- shift in supply curve leftward
- 3- increase in equilibrium price

D : How can the price of Panadol be controlled? Analyze graphically.



Government have to set **ceiling price** below the market clearing price coz price ceiling will make the high price illegle

Graph is showing that an increase in price, is illegal; and buyers or sellers or both will be penalized if transactions take place above P_c