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Services Marketing

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Master of Business Administration/
P. G. Diploma in Marketing Management
(MBA-10/12/13/16/17/PGDMM-10/16/17)

Fourth/Second Semester, Examination, 2018

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

Note: This paper is of eighty (80) marks containing three (03) Sections A, B and C. Attempt the questions contained in these Sections according to the detailed instructions given therein.

Section-A

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Note: Section 'A' contains four (04) long answer type questions of nineteen (19) marks each. Learners are required to answer *two* (02) questions only.

- 1. Choose an organisational context you are familiar with. Discuss each of the *three* sides of the service marketing triangle in the context of that organisation.
- 2. Would service guarantees help in attracting customers or in retaining customers? Why or why not?

- 3. Why is channel management a difficult job for service marketers? What are the potential areas of channel conflicts?
- 4. Discuss, how can service blueprints be used to improve service positioning strategies.

Section-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Note: Section 'B' contains eight (08) short answer type questions of eight (8) marks each. Learners are required to answer *four* (04) questions only.

- 1. Can a manufacturing firm have a service culture? Why or why not?
- 2. "Service industry jobs have higher attrition rates than non-service sector jobs." Is this statement justified? Explain.
- 3. Discuss the general importance of customers in the successful delivery of service.
- 4. Why do tangibles require a special mention in service businesses?
- 5. Discuss the risks in adopting a yield management strategy.
- 6. For what consumer services do you have reference prices? What makes these services different from others for which you lack reference prices?
- 7. Does organisational structure play a role in how strategy is implemented? Discuss.

8. Do you agree that time for differentiation in retail formats has arrived in India? Why or why not?

Section-C

(Objective Type Questions)

Note: Section 'C' contains ten (10) objective type questions of one (01) mark each. All the questions of this Section are compulsory.

Select True or False:

- 1. Employees response to customer needs and request is called adaptability.
- 2. Coupons cannot be printed on the backs of ATM receipts.
- 3. Co-branding is an alliance made visible.
- 4. The benefit from source brand strategy lies in its ability to provide a two tiered sense by difference and depth.
- 5. Front line employees are key to a brand's success.
- 6. Nature of service quality is multidimensional.
- 7. Line extension is a phenomenon inherent in the luxury goods sector.
- 8. For a retailer, brand is a means and not a necessity.
- 9. The business strategy in a production line organisation is one of differentiation and customisation.
- 10. Product knowledge is essential for building winning brands.