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# MS-510/MM-2206

### **Brand Management**

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

4th/2nd Semester Examination, 2022 (June)

Time : 2 Hours]

Max. Marks : 80

**Note :** This paper is of Eighty (80) marks divided into two (02) Sections A and B. Attempt the questions contained in these sections according to the detailed instructions given therein.

#### SECTION-A

## (Long Answer Type Questions)

- **Note :** Section 'A' contains Five (05) long answer type questions of Twenty (20) marks each. Learners are required to answer any Two (02) questions only. (2×20=40)
- 1. Critically analyze and discuss the benefits and pitfalls of branding. Use real-life examples to support and illustrate any arguments you make.

- 2. Companies usually have a number of brands in a product category. This is termed as brand portfolio. Please provide 5 reasons with examples, for why a company would prefer to have several brands rather than just one brand?
- **3.** "Both producers and middlemen face strategic decisions regarding the branding of their goods and services." Elaborate.
- 4. "Brand extensions are likely to be more successful if a brand extends into another category into which its existing brand associations and imagery "fit" better." Do you agree? Explain.
- 5. A leading hair oil company plans to enter into the skin cream business in competition with the market leaders. Discuss the positioning and brand building strategies that the company can use.

#### SECTION-B

## (Short Answer Type Questions)

- **Note :** Section 'B' contains Eight (08) short answer type questions of Ten (10) marks each. Learners are required to answer any Four (04) questions only. (4×10=40)
- 1. Select two companies and discuss their potential to co-brand a new product. You must consider the situations where cobranding can be most effective.

- 2. Describe the qualitative methods of sales forecasting.
- **3.** How does brand function as the link between consumers and companies?
- **4.** What are the influences that can either enhance or diminish a company's position in the market-place? How can those influences be built into brand equity?
- 5. What is your all-time favourite brand? What do you most like about the product and/or brand name? What (if anything) do you dislike? How loyal are you toward the brand? Why?
- **6.** Explain why the strength of a global brand may vary enormously from country to country.
- 7. "Consumers often rely on a product's country-of-origin as an important cue to assess its quality". Do you agree? Elaborate.
- **8.** How can loyalty, commitment and customer equity create or enhance brand equity ?