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M.Sc. Operational Research / Sem. II J

Paper 203— MARKETING MANAGEMENT

(Admissions of 2009 and after)

Time 3 hours Maximum Marks: 70

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Attempt any five questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

- (a) Explain the term Marketing Management.
 Discuss its role in context of growing economy of India.
 - (b) Classify the market structure depending on the nature of competitive conditions.
- 2. (a) Explain how the marketing mix can be changed during the different stages of the product life cycles
 - (b) Derive the equilibrium conditions for a firm which makes decisions with respect to promotional effort in order to maximize profit.

3. Explain the money averaging policy for purchase of a single commodity under fluctuating prices.

What is single procurement policy? Determine the critical price for the following probability density for price X:

$$f(X) = \frac{1}{200}; \quad 1000 \le x \le 1200$$

with three purchase opportunities.

- 4. (a) Pricing decisions play a key role for the future of the organization. Describe how the prices are set in practice.
 - (b) Give mathematical model for joint optimization of price and quality keeping promotional expenditure fixed.
- 5. (a) The brand switching behaviour for two companies (A and B) in a market can be modeled as the following transition probability matrix. Currently A and B hold 60 and 40 percent of market share respectively

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Find the equilibrium market share. Is the equilibrium market share independent of initial market share? If yes, why?

(b) Discuss Vidale-Wolfe model. What is advertising pulse?

6. Formulate the media-allocation problem as an integer programming problem.

The advertising department is planning to give ads in two magazines A and B. The potential customers of the product are women in the age group 20-40 with income $> 2000/-w_1$ and w_2 are 0 6 and 0 4 respectively. The data are given as follows:—

			Magazine A	Magazine B
	(i)	Circulation/Edition	50,000	30,000
•	(u)	Female reader's age group (20-40)	30,000	15,000
á	(tit)	Income >=2000/-	20,000	7,000
*	(iv)	Cost of full page	2000	1000
	(v)	No of Editions/year	24	52
	(vi)	Average rating of advertisement	0 4	0 3

The management feels that there should be an ad. in at least alternate editions of A and company's budget is Rs. 50,000/- for expenditure. How many insertions should be placed in each magazine for effective exposure?

7 Write short notes on the following

- (t) Distribution decision
- (u) Optimal location of company's warehouses

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