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(SEM. IV) EXAMINATION, 2006-07 RETAIL MANAGEMENT

Time: 3 Hours [Total Marks: 100]

Note: (1) Attempt **all** questions.

- (2) All questions carry equal marks.
- 1 Attempt any **two** of the following: $10\times2=20$
 - (a) Define retailing considering it from various perspective and demonstrate its impact.
 - (b) Explain the steps in strategic planning for retailers.
 - (c) Describe how both customer relationships and channel relationships may be nurtured in today's highly competitive marketplace, with a special emphasis on the customer base, customer service, customer satisfaction, and loyalty programs.
- 2 Attempt any two of the following: $10\times2=20$
 - (a) Classify retailers on the basis of ownership type and examine the characteristic of each.
 - (b) Discuss with suitable examples some ways in which retail strategy mixes are involved.
 - (c) Describe the emergence of electronic retailing through the world wide web. Also discuss two other non-traditional forms of retailing video kiosks and airport retailing.

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- 3 Attempt any two of the following: $10\times2=20$
 - (a) Describe the differences between the various pricing strategies available to the retailer.
 - (b) What are the issues most critical to managing retail services? Support your answer with a suitable example.
 - (c) Describe the various management problems involved in retail selling, salesperson selection and training and evaluation.
- 4 Attempt any two of the following: $10\times2=20$
 - (a) Examine the role of the retail information system, its components, and the recent advances in such a system.
 - (b) What are the different criterion to be considered for evaluating general retail locations and the specific sites within them?
 - (c) What are the pros and cons of opening at a retail site where other retailers have recently failed? What plans would you develop and implement for such a venture?
- 5 Answer any **two** of the following: $10 \times 2 = 20$
 - (a) How does cultural factors effect the choice of retail location in International markets?
 - (b) In the content of international retailing, how would the type of customers affect the level of customer service a retailer should offer? Should a retailer seek to meet or exceed a competitor's level of customer service?
 - (c) 'Smaller local retailers face a threat for survival from international retailers.' How far do you agree with this statement? What future do Indian retailers hold in this changing scenario?