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ELECTIVE - MB810301 - SALES MANAGEMENT

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Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 60

Part A

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 1. Write two objectives of personal selling for any service of your choice.
- 2. What is value-added selling?
- 3. What is approach stage in personal selling? Give an example.
- 4. Assume that you are trying to convince a customer to buy a residential apartment. Write two possible objections from the customer side.
- 5. Draft an email to the Secretary of Resident Association for fixing up a demonstration of an advanced water purifier of your company in a residential apartment complex.
- 6. What is profit-based sales quota?
- 7. What do you mean by routing and scheduling salesperson?

 $(5\times2 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

Part B

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 6 marks.

- 8. Analyse sales as a core function of marketing by taking any consumer product of your choice.
- 9. Outline the key traits of a good sales manager.
- 10. "Salesmanship is persuasion applied to the sale of merchandise of services". Elucidate the statement.



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- 11. Consider the annual consumer exhibition organised by a reputed media group in your State. How can you analyse the role of body language of a sales person in such an exhibition?
- 12. Consider an educational fair known to you. Can you analyse the role of managing self, effective dressing and positive attitude for a representative in such an educational fair?
- 13. What functions do sales quotas perform? Give an example.
- 14. Explain the workload approach to territory planning, outlining its major shortcomings.

 $(5\times6 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

Part C

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries **10** marks.

Question number 17 is compulsory.

- 15. How do factors like nature of the product, profile of the target market and company resources affect the sales job? Explain by taking the examples of the following selling situations:
 - (a) Selling of a consumer durable product
 - (b) Selling of an industrial product
- 16. How are sales volume quotas set? If you were assigning sales quotas to your salesmen selling fertilizers in the rural markets, what are the attributes of a sales quota plan that you need to keep in mind?

Compulsory Question

17. Consider a rural market. You are expected to demonstrate a nutrition drink specially formulated for the Covid survivors by your company to the Community Groups. The company has fixed a reasonable price for making it affordable to the general public. Develop a plan for your sales presentation and demonstration. What possible objections you face in the process?

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ Marks})$

