Savitribai Phule Pune University

Centre For Distance and Online Education

MBA Semester II

Home Assignment

Instructions for MBA (Distance Mode) Learners:

Home Assignment for Internal Assessment

1. Assignment Details

- You are required to write answers to all the questions in the home assignment provided to you.
- Each question carries equal marks.

2. Handwritten Submission

- The assignment must be completed in handwritten format only.
- Typed or printed assignments will not be accepted.

3. Covering Page

- Please ensure your assignment has a covering page with the following details:
- Learner's Name
- Class
- PRN (Permanent Registration Number)
- Mobile Number
- Email ID

4. Submission Deadline

- Complete and submit your assignment within the given timeframe.
- Late submissions may not be considered for internal assessment.

5. Neatness and Presentation

- Write your answers neatly and legibly.
- Ensure your answers are organized and clearly numbered.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the course coordinator.

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CR-21: BASICS OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

- **1.** Discuss the evolution, objectives, and importance of Human Resource Management (HRM).
- **2.** Explain the process of Human Resource Planning (HRP) and its significance in organizational success.
- **3.** Describe in detail the recruitment and selection process in an organization. Differentiate between recruitment and selection.
- **4.** Discuss the methods and techniques of training and the stages of the training process.
- **5.** Define Performance Management System (PMS) and discuss its objectives, process, and different methods of performance appraisal.
- **6.** Explain the concept and importance of Industrial Relations (IR) in maintaining organizational harmony.

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CR-22: OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

- 1. Discuss the types of manufacturing systems and plant layouts, and explain the role of Production Planning and Control (PPC) in ensuring efficient operations.
- **2.** Describe the key concepts of inventory. Explain the types of inventories, inventory control methods (ABC, VED, HML, FSN)
- **3.** Define Quality and explain its dimensions from both customer and manufacturer perspectives. Discuss the principles and process of Total Quality Management (TQM).
- **4.** Explain the concept and characteristics of service operations and the role of service design in improving customer experience.
- **5.** Define Supply Chain Management (SCM) and explain its significance in today's globalized business environment.
- **6.** Explain the concept, process, and lifecycle of Project Management.

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CR-23: MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING

- Discuss how Management Accounting differs from Cost Accounting and Financial Accounting, and describe its role in managerial decision-making.
- **2.** Define 'Cost' and explain the various methods of cost classification. Also explain the concepts of cost control, cost reduction, and cost management with suitable examples.
- **3.** What is Marginal Costing? Explain its significance in managerial decision-making.
- **4.** Explain the objectives, advantages, and limitations of budgetary control. Describe the process of preparing functional budgets, flexible budgets, and zero-base budgets.
- **5.** Discuss the steps in the managerial decision-making process using relevant cost analysis.
- **6.** Explain the factors influencing pricing decisions in a business organization.

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CR-24: MANAGEMENT OF SOCIAL MEDIA

- Discuss the theory of diffusion of innovations and the technological evolution graph in the context of social media adoption.
- **2.** Describe the social media trilogy, Web 4.0, and the Internet of Things (IoT). Discuss the significance of user-generated content.
- **3.** Discuss concepts such as targeted ads, contextual ads, cookies, privacy issues, ad avoidance, and the role of electronic word of mouth and viral campaigns in online promotions.
- **4.** Discuss the key legal and ethical issues associated with social media usage in business.
- **5.** Explain the importance of having a social media policy and IT policy.
- **6.** Define Social CRM and explain its importance in modern business environments. Analyze how social media has transformed traditional business models using examples

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CR-15: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

- **1.** Explain the concept, objectives, and need for research in business.
- **2.** Describe in detail the different types of research designs—exploratory, descriptive, and experimental.
- **3.** Differentiate between primary and secondary data with examples.
- **4.** Describe the essential concepts of population, sample, sampling frame, and sampling errors. Explain the various probability and non-probability sampling techniques (such as simple random, stratified, cluster, convenience, and quota sampling).
- **5.** Explain the process of data preparation and analysis in research. Explain the Chi-square test, t-test, z-test, F-test, ANOVA, and their applications.
- **6.** Describe the process of preparing a research report. Explain the structure and components of a good research proposal and research paper layout.

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CR-26: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

- **1.** Explain the concept, need, and objectives of a Management Information System (MIS).
- **2.** Explain the models of decision making—Classical model, Administrative model, and Herbert Simon's model.
- **3.** Explain the types and topologies of computer networks.
- **4.** Describe the concepts of data warehousing and data mining. How do these technologies support strategic decision-making and business intelligence?
- **5.** Explain the concept and components of a Decision Support System (DSS).
- **6.** Highlight the challenges organizations face while implementing MIS and the emerging trends shaping its future.