2018

MBA

3rd Semester Examination CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR

(Specialisation: Marketing Management)

PAPER-M-303

Subject Code-09

Full Marks: 100

Time: 3 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

1. Answer any eight questions:

8×5

(a) Why is it important to study consumer behaviour?

Justify your answer with example.

- (b) You are the brand manager of a new line of light weight autofocus, economically priced digital cameras. Describe how an understanding of consumer behaviour will help you in your segmentation strategy and promotion strategy.
- (c) Discuss the role of reference group in decision making process.
- (d) How does social class influencing in consumer behaviour? Explain with suitable example.
- (e) Outlining the key differences between individual buying and organizational buying.
- (f) Schematically explain the 'Black Box' model of consumer behaviour.
- (g) How do consumers store information?
- (h) Why attitude has a pervasive impact on consumer behaviour?
- (i) "Culture sets boundaries on behaviours" justify with suitable example.

- (j) List out the evaluative cirteria and the importance of each that you would use in purchasing 'A car'.
- (k) Describe how motivational conflict might arise in purchasing of a Branded laptop'.
- Changing lifestyle of Indian consumers create a sound opportunity for business — Justify.

2. Answer any four questions:

4×10

- (a) Schematically explain the consumers buying process with a hypothetical example.
- (b) What do you understand by extensive problem solving, limited problem solving and routinise response behaviour? What kind of decision process can you expect in the following cases and why?
 - (i) Purchase of a greeting card for a close friend.
 - (ii) Purchase of an after shave lotion/moisturiser.
- (c) Explain Maslow's hierarchy theory of needs. Also explain and citing examples from today's scenario that how

marketers are using this concept of motivation fully for their advantages?

- (d) Reference group play an important role in consumer behaviour — Justify your answer with suitable example.
- (e) How can marketers influence the information search process of their consumers? Illustrate by taking suitable example.
- (f) Schematically explain Nicosia Model of consumer behaviour.

[Internal Assessment: 20 Marks]