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FOURTH SEMESTER M.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2014

(2010 Scheme)

MBA MAR 9-RETAIL MANAGEMENT

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

Part A

Answer all the questions.

Each question carries 1 weightage.

- 1. What is gross margin?
- 2. Name any three pricing options.
- 3. Define counterfeit merchandise.
- 4. What is the formula for inventory turn over?
- 5. What is a kiosk?
- 6. What are bonded stores?

 $(6 \times 1 = 6 \text{ weightage})$

Part B

Answer any six questions.

Each question carries 3 weightage.

- 7. Write a short note on origin of retailing in India.
- 8. Explain the pros and cons of electronic shopping.
- 9. Discuss the factors affecting consumer buying decisions.
- 10. How good location decision decreases distribution cost?
- 11. What do you mean by retail mix? Discuss the concept of retail positioning.
- 12. How a life style retailer improves financial leverage?
- 13. Why inventory is necessary in a store ? What are the main reasons for poor inventory management ?
- 14. What do you mean by category management? Why it is required in retailing?

 $(6 \times 3 = 18 \text{ weightage})$

Turn over

Part C

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 6 weightage.

- 15. How a retailer can do trade-offs between variety, assortment and product availability? Explain with examples.
- "Service quality as perceived by the customers must meet customers' expectations". Explain with an illustration.
- 17. What do you mean by trading area? How a trading area can be analysed? What factors must be considered while analysing a trading area?

 $(2 \times 6 = 12 \text{ weightage})$