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TWO YEAR M.COM. SEMESTER 4 EXAMINATION

(New Syllabus under CBCS)

Instructions for Examinees

The students are required to strictly adhere to the following instructions:

- 1. Use A4 size paper for giving the examination.
- 2. Write the following on the top of the first page of answer sheet:
 - i) Roll Number: (as per the Admit Card)
 - ii) Registration Number: (as per the Admit Card)
 - iii) Paper Code and Name of the Paper
 - iv) Date of the examination
 - v) Duration of examination (12 noon to 2pm)
- 3. Put page number on the top right of each page (including the first page).
- 4. Only one side of the paper should be used for examination.
- 5. Put your signature with date, at the bottom right of every page used.
- 6. Before sending your answer scripts, arrange the pages sequentially. Scan them in the order of page number and convert them into a single pdf. file.
- 7. Pdf. file name should be your **Full Roll Number <underscore> paper code**. While submitting the answer scripts, the subject of the mail will be exactly the same with the file name. [e.g., if the roll no of a student is C95/MCM/123456, for first paper (Paper Code CC401) the file name will be: 123456_CC401
- 8. Submit your answer scripts in pdf. format within the stipulated time through designated email id given to you.
- 9. Preserve your answer scripts in soft as well as hard-copy form of all the papers of your examination.

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COMMERCE

Paper - CC. 401

(Strategic Management)

Full Marks -40

The figures in the margin indicate full marks

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

Time: 2 Hours Duration of Examination: 12noon to 2pm

Module -I

Answer any two questions

- 1. In the context of Porter's Five Forces Framework, how do 'industry demand' and 'cost conditions' influence the intensity of rivalry among established companies? [5+5]
- 2. How do 'capability of competitors' and 'industry dynamism' affect the durability of competitive advantage? [5+5]
- 3. Distinguish between the strategic choices of a differentiator from that of a focused differentiator. [10]
- 4. Give any five reasons behind high failure rate in innovation. How can the failure rate in innovation be reduced? [5+5]

Module -II

Answer *any two* questions

- 5. (a) Identify five characteristics of a "Level-5" leader as proposed by Jim Collins.
 - (b) How does strategic leadership influence the development of an intended strategy?

[5+5]

- 6. (a) Explain why logical incrementalism within a 'learning organisation' leads to "planned emergence" in the context of strategy development.
 - (b) How does the stage of industry life-cycle influence the relative importance of product innovation and process innovation to a firm seeking competitive advantage?

[5+5]

- 7. What is a "stability strategy" and why is it adopted by a corporate organisation? Discuss the various forms of stability strategies by means of suitable examples. [5+5]
- 8. Distinguish between strategic formulation and strategic implementation. Examine the relationship among structure, control, culture and corporate-level strategy. [5+5]