Paper BC 6.3: Personal Selling and Salesmanship

Duration: 2.5 hrs Total Marks: 60(Term end examination 56 (Marks for Attendance 4)

Lectures: 65

Objective: The purpose of this course is to familiarize the students with the fundamentals of personal selling and the selling process. They will be able to understand selling as a career and what it takes to be a successful salesman.

Unit 1:

Introduction to Personal Selling: Nature and importance of personal selling, myths of selling, Difference between Personal Selling, Salesmanship and Sales Management, Characteristics of a good salesman, types of selling situations, types of salespersons, Career opportunities in selling, Measures for making selling an attractive career.

Unit- II

Buying Motives: Concept of motivation, Maslow's theory of need hierarchy; Dynamic nature of motivation; Buying motives and their uses in personal selling

Unit-III

Selling Process: Prospecting and qualifying; Pre-approach; Approach; Presentation and demonstration; handling of objections; Closing the sale; Post sales activities.

Unit- IV

Sales Reports: reports and documents; sales manual, Order Book, Cash Memo; Tour Diary, Daily and Periodical Reports; Ethical aspects of Selling

Unit V and Unit IV (For Internal Assessment)

Tutorials

Analysis of case studies based on syllabi of Unit I to Unit IV/ Assignments based on field survey/subject tours wherever feasible/Quiz programmes/moot courts wherever feasible/class presentations/class room seminars/Group discussions

Suggested Readings:

- 1. Spiro, Stanton, and Rich, Management of the Sales force, McGraw Hill.
- 2. Rusell, F. A. Beach and Richard H. Buskirk, *Selling: Principles and Practices*, McGraw Hill
- 3. Futrell, Charles, Sales Management: Behaviour, Practices and Cases, The Dryden Press.
- 4. Still, Richard R., Edward W. Cundiff and Norman A. P. Govoni, *Sales Management: Decision Strategies and Cases*, Prentice Hall of India Ltd., New Delhi,
- 5. Johnson, Kurtz and Schueing, Sales Management, McGraw Hill
- 6. Pedesson, Charles A. Wright, Milburn d. And Weitz, Barton A., Selling: Principles and Methods, Richard, Irvin
- 7. Kapoor Neeru, Advertising and personal Selling, Pinnacle, New Delhi.

Journals:

1. Journal of Personal Selling & Sales Management (JPSSM)