

MBA (FT)/ MBA (IB)/MBA (TT) DEGREE III SEMESTER EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2014

SMS 2305/ SMI 2310 /SMT 2306 SERVICE OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

(2012 Scheme)

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

PART A

(Answer ALL questions)

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

- 1. Explain briefly the concept of service.
- 2. Discuss briefly the types of supply relationships.
- 3. What is Off-shoring? Is it the same as outsourcing?
- 4. What is DEA (Data Envelopment Analysis)? Enumerate its uses in service operations management?
- 5. What do you mean by inventory management, in the service operations management context?

PART B (Answer ANY FIVE questions

 $(5 \times 4 = 20)$

- 6. Describe the peculiar features of service operations management. What are its challenges?
- 7. Discuss different types of services and service processes.
- 8. Explain the relevance and significance of SCM in service operation management.
- 9. Discuss the role of six sigma in service process improvement.
- 10. Write a note on new service development.
- 11. Explain the role of service guarantees in driving service improvements.
- 12. Write a note on capacity management in service operations.

PART C (Answer ANY TWO questions)

 $(2 \times 10 = 20)$

- 13. Discuss the service experience and outcomes in respect of (i) a holiday resort (ii) a new generation bank (iii) a fast food restaurant (iv) a management consultancy firm.
- 14. What are the factors that you would consider while selecting the site for a holiday resort in Kerala?
- 15. As the business executive of a five star restaurant how do you asses the customer satisfaction of your customers? What are the major service quality factors that you would consider?
