Manonmaniam Sundaranar University

Directorate of Distance and Continuing Education

Tirunelveli – 627 012.

Instructions relating to MBA – 2 year course

- 1. There are eight papers in each year to complete the MBA program through Distance Education (2 years) from the academic year 2008 -09 onwards.
- 2. Each paper is evaluated for 100 marks with two components, viz., **Internal for 20** Marks and year end External Examination for 80 Marks.
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ASSIGNMENT TOPICS – I year

DRM 11: Management Process and Behaviour

- 1. Critically analyse any three theories on motivation?
- 2. Write short notes on:
 - (a) Perception
 - (b) Values
 - (c) Attitudes
 - (d) Personality

DRM 12: Managerial Economics

- 1. Explain Cobb- Douglas Production Function?
- 2. Analyse the determinants of investment?

DRM 13: Accounting for Managers

- 1. Define Break-Even point? Explain the different methods of constructing Break even charts?
- 2. Draw a Specimen statement of sources and uses of funds with as much details as possible?

DRM 14: Business Environment

- 1. Explain the importance of and difficulties faced by: Small Scale industries in the Globalised Scenario?
- 2. Explain any two environmental pollution causers and suggest the measure to prevent them in future?

DRM 15: Business law

- 1. Explain the liabilities of agents with relevant cases?
- 2. Discuss the different clauses of the memorandum of Association of a limited company?

DRM 16: Managerial Communication

- 1. What are the Barriers to effective communication? Explain them with appropriate Examples?
- 2. Draft a sales promotion letter assuming your own product as well as the target Consumers?

DRM 17: Computer Application in Management

- 1. Give a brief account on the spread sheet applications in Business situations?
- 2. "Computer makes more people jobless in a populous country like India". Support your answer.

DRM 18: Research Methodology

- 1. Explain any five different types of samples?
- 2. Explain the mechanics of writing research reports?

Assignment Topics – 2nd Year

General Management

DRM 21: Human Recourses Management

- 1. Explain the role of HR managers in organizations with which you are familiar with?
- 2. Discuss fully any two training techniques used for employees in an organization with which you are familiar?

DRM 22: Marketing Management

- 1. Give a brief account on the different marketing functions?
- 2. Explain the stages in the product life cycle with present day product examples?

DRM 23: Financial Management

- 1. Discuss the present day Indian Financial System?
- 2. Explain the different cash management Strategies?

DRM 24: Operations Management

- 1. Give a detailed account on materials management?
- 2. Explain TQM and ISO 9000?

DRM 25: Decision Support System

- 1. Explain the components and characteristics of Decision Support System?
- 2. Write an essay on the issues relating to user interface?

DRM 26: International Business Management

- 1. Explain the various political and legal factors that influence the International Business?
- 2. Discuss the International operations strategy?

DRM 27: Strategic Management

1. Explain with examples, strategic planning process?

Analyse the strategic management at the function level in an Indian company?

DRM 28 - Entrepreneurship and Management of small business.

- 1. Bring out the role of Entrepreneurship in the Indian Economic Development?
- 2. Explain the difficulties attached with small business marketing, with practical examples?

Other Specializations (Common papers)

DRC 21: Functional Management -1

- 1. Explain the role of marketing channels with appropriate examples?
- 2. Bring out the role and relevance of Trade unions in today's business scenario?

DRC 22: Functional Management-II

- 1. Critically analyse any five financial ratios?
- 2. Explain with examples, the risk- return relationship?

DRC 23: Strategic Management

- 1. Explain with examples, Strategic planning process?
- 2. Analyse the strategic Management at the functional level in an Indian company, you know/familiar with?

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Marketing

DRC 24: Marketing Research

- 1. Discuss the relevance of marketing research in the present day Indian context?
- 2. Explain the marketing research process in relation to specific product of your choice?

DRC 25: Advertising and sales promotion.

- 1. Explain the problems and prospects of Industrial advertising in India at present?
- 2. Draft an advertisement copy for your own product?

DRC 26: International Marketing

- 1. Explain the Sources and methods of Export Finance, available in India?
- 2. Chart down the General Import procedures?

DRC 27: Service marketing

- 1. Bring out the problems encountered in factoring services, with practical examples?
- 2. Write a detailed account on "Marketing of Non- profit organizations", in India?

Production

DRP 24: Material Management

- 1. Write Notes on: (a) ABC Analysis, (b) VED analysis
- 2. Explain the application of Time series Analysis in materials Management?

DRP 25: Supply chain Management

- 1. Explain the concept and components of supply chain management?
- 2. Discuss the role of logistics in supply chain management?

DRP 26: Project Management

- 1. Discuss fully the Programme Evaluation and Review Technique?
- 2. Critically analyse any two alternate investment proposal?

DRP 27: Operations Research

- 1. Explain with examples, the deterministic and probabilistic models in operations research?
- 2. Explain any two methods used for getting initial basic feasible folution in Transportation model?

Finance

DRF 24: Security Analysis and Portfolio Management

- 1. Critically evaluate any two Asset pricing Theories?
- 2. Technical analysis Vs. Fundamental Analysis.

DRF 25: Financial Services:

- 1. Explain the different types of leases?
- 2. Analyse the SEBI code on Takeovers?

DRF 26: Working Capital Management

- 1. Explain the merits, limitations, and impact of different levels of inventory?
- 2. Fund flow Analysis Vs cash flow analysis,

DRF 27: Corporate Taxation

- 1. Depict your Tax assessment Statement or an income Tax assesses whom you know personally.
- 2. Write a brief note on 'Wealth Tax'?

Human Resources.

DRH 24: Management Training and Development.

- 1. Discuss the role, responsibilities and Challenges of training managers in India at present?
- 2. How Development effectiveness evaluated?

DRH 25: Organizational Development

- 1. Explain the theory and practice on change and changing?
- 2. Give a brief account on Organisational Development interventions?

DRH 26: Industrial Labour Relations.

- 1. Analyse the strengths and weaknesses of Indian Trade union movement, during the past twenty four months?
- 2. Show the importance and purpose of Factories Act 1948?

DRH 27: Counseling skills for Managers

- 1. Discuss the growth of counseling approaches in India?
- 2. Do your organization/ you studied performance counseling? Explain in with suitable examples?

System

DRS 24: System analysis and Design

- 1. Discuss the skill requirements of a System analyst in an organization?
- 2. Explain the importance of Ethics in System Development?

DRS 25: Business Process Re- Engineering

- 1. Explain the role of Information Technology in Business Process Re- Engineering?
- 2. Write Short notes on: a) Business Process improvement
 - b) Business Process Redesign

DRS 26: Management Decision Support System

- 1. Explain the components and characteristics of Decision Support System?
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DRS 27: E-Commerce

- 1. Trace the history of internet and other electronic delivery channel?
- 2. Show the information technology requirements for a form to participate in e-commerce?

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(The students who have opted for Project work need not write these assignments)

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