

MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Term-End Examination

December, 2015

MS-56 : MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

(Weightage : 70%)

Note : Attempt any four questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) Why is it said that materials management procedures are strategically placed within an organisation ? Explain your view.
(b) Explain the role of materials management in conserving environment.
2. (a) What is 'Bill of Lading' ? Discuss its importance.
(b) Explain the 'problem of gifts' in context of Buyers-Sellers relationship.
3. (a) Explain the Material Requirement Planning (MRP) algorithm with the help of a flow chart.
(b) Optimized Production Technology (OPT) embodies some basic rules of manufacturing that differ significantly from the traditional practice. Mention any four of them.

4. (a) CONWIP is considered applicable to production environments characterized by longer set - ups and fluctuating demand. Why ? Discuss your view.
 - (b) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of spare parts management.

 5. (a) What is standardization ? Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of standardisation.
 - (b) Briefly discuss the inspection methods in the receiving zection.

 6. (a) Discuss some strategies for conflict resolution in a super-organization.
 - (b) Distinguish between the Japanese approach and the US - European approach to materials management.
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