POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ADVERTISING AND INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS (PGDAIC)

Term-End Examination December, 2023

MNM-022: CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. What is the VALS system of classification and how is it used in lifestyle marketing? Describe the different segments of the VALS framework and provide examples of marketing campaigns that have successfully targetted each segment.

10+10

2. Describe the various factors that influence organisational buying behavior. How do factors such as organisational culture, purchasing policies and buying center dynamics impact the decision-making process? Provide examples to support your answer. 10+10

3. Explain the concept of perception and the stages of the perceptual process. What role does perceptual selection play in consumer behavior?

10+10

- 4. How do motivational conflicts influence consumer behavior? What strategies can marketers use to mitigate these conflicts and encourage purchase behavior? 10+10
- 5. What is social class? How does social class influence social influences and buying behavior? Provide examples.
 5+15
- 6. What is culture and what are some of the key characteristics of culture? How can understanding of culture help marketers develop effective marketing strategies? 15+5
- 7. Discuss the role of imaginal processing in consumer decision-making and provide an example of a product category where this type of processing might be particularly important.

15 + 5

8. Explain the *four* components of alternative evaluation and cite examples on how they contribute to the decision-making process of consumers.

15+5

- 9. Discuss the theories of post-purchase evaluation and how they explain consumers' post-purchase behaviour. How can marketers use this knowledge to develop effective response strategies?
- 10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

10+10

- (a) Subcultures
- (b) The Looking-Glass Self
- (c) Organic Marketing
- (d) Information Overload