

POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN  
PHARMACEUTICAL SALES MANAGEMENT  
(PGDPSM)

Term-End Examination

June, 2013

MVE-006 : SALES MANAGEMENT

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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

1. (a) State the various concepts of marketing and explain the distinguishing features of the 'marketing concept'. 8
- (b) Describe the changing role of sales persons in the modern context. 7
2. (a) "AIDAS Theory of selling is based on the premise that during a sales presentation, the prospect consciously goes through five different stages". Explain these stages briefly. 8
- (b) Define 'Interpersonal communication' and explain the four stages of developing interpersonal relationship. 7

3. (a) What are different types of sales presentations ? Explain them with an example of a product. 7
- (b) Distinguish between selling and negotiation, and state the various steps involved in the negotiation process. 8
4. (a) Why do pharmaceutical companies prefer sample distribution as a major component of their sales promotional efforts ? 7
- (b) What do you mean by 'channel of distribution' ? State the factors that determine the length of the channel. 8
5. (a) Explain briefly the various methods used for identifying the training needs of salesmen. 8
- (b) Discuss the methodology you will recommend for appraising the performance of medical representatives. 7
6. "Non - financial incentives have become an important component of the motivation mix of a company." In the light of this statement and the surveys conducted in pharmaceutical industry in India, discuss the unconventional factors that make a special mark on sales force motivation. 15

7. (a) Explain the various methods of sales budgeting. 7
- (b) "The role and functions of a sales executive have undergone a marked change over a period of years". Discuss. 8
8. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 7½x2=15
- (a) Interdependence of sales and distribution
- (b) Essential features of a good advertising copy
- (c) Approaches of territory design
- (d) Importance of setting sales quotas
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