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POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN BOOK PUBLISHING

Term-End Examination

December, 2011

MBP-004 : MARKETING, PROMOTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOOKS

Time: 3 hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: This paper has five compulsory questions. Attempt each question in 300-350 words unless otherwise instructed.

1. "It is said that there are as many methods of promoting a title, as there are titles to promote."

Discuss with appropriate examples.

OR

What are some of the mailing materials used for the promotion of books? Discuss.

2. What do you understand by the term "Distribution". Explain with reference to the importance of distribution in the whole process of publishing.

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OR

What are points of purchase display? Discuss which kind of display is suitable for (a) fiction (b) text books (c) trade books.

3. Why is advertising of the usual kind not affordable for the book publisher? What are some of the alternative strategies a book publisher can adopt? Discuss.

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OR

Discuss the difference's between Mass Distribution and other modes of sales with appropriate examples.

4. Write a short note on the working of book clubs with examples from different ways and mean adopted by the book trade.

OR

'What is a distribution system and why is it important'? Discuss with examples.

- 5. Write short notes (150 200 words each) on any two of the following: 10+10
 - (a) Handling unsold stocks of books.
 - (b) Objectives of sales promotion.
 - (c) Importance of book reviews in book promotion.
 - (d) Importance of knowing the nature of the customer/consumer.