

MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Term-End Examination

June, 2016

MS-56 : MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

(Weightage : 70%)

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

1. (a) Material flow and information flow are equally important in the materials flow process. Why ?
(b) Discuss the role of TQM in material management. Highlight the benefits.
2. (a) Describe "make or buy" decision making procedure.--What type of questions are included in a typical make or buy checklist ?
(b) Describe the obligations of the purchasing manager to his or her own company.
3. (a) Explain why dependent demand inventory items do not need to be forecasted ? Give example.
(b) Briefly explain the reason for the evolution of MRP II from MRP. How does MRP II differ from MRP ?

4. (a) How is customer affected if a company is maintaining a higher level of WIP ?
(b) What problems are unique to spare parts that other materials do not exhibit ? Why do these problems occur ?

 5. (a) What do you understand by standardisation ? How does standardisation lead to variety reduction ?
(b) Discuss the safety considerations while designing and laying out the warehouse.

 6. (a) What does it mean when we say a firm has organized according to the materials management concept ?
(b) Describe the advantages of materials information systems. How are they important in the manufacturing process ?
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