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B. B. A. (SIXTH SEMESTER) MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION, April, 2023

RURAL MARKETING,

Time: 11/2 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

- Note: (i) Answer all the questions by choosing any *one* of the sub-questions.
 - (ii) Each sub-question carries 10 marks.
- (a) How do you define rural marketing?
 Describe how rural marketing has been defined by different organizations. (CO1)

OR

(b) What have been the developments in the marketing environment in rural areas in the last five years? (CO1)

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2. (a) The economic environment is fast changing in rural India. How will these changes affect consumption patterns among customers? (CO2)

OR

- (b) Describe the adoption and diffusion process of new products in the rural context. (CO2)
- 3. (a) A durables company wants to sell its products in rural markets. Which critical factors in the socio-economic environment should it examine to design its market entry strategy? (CO3)

OR

(b) What is the concept of 'brand stickiness'?

How is it different from brand loyalty?

Why is this concept more relevant in rural
India? Cite some examples of the same.

4. (a) Define and explain the five stages of the consumer buying process. (CO4)

OR

- (b) If a farmer wants to buy a tractor, what according to you would be the factors that will influence his decision? What will be the decision-making process followed by him? (CO4)
- 5. (a) Do opinion leaders always influence purchase process in rural India? Explain with suitable example. (CO5)

OR

(b) Abraham Maslow sought to explain why people are driven by particular needs at particular times. How does Maslow's theory help marketers in rural areas?