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SM02C07—STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

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Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Section A

Answer any **five** questions. Each question carries 1 weight. Answer each not exceeding **one page**.

- 1. What is Strategic Management?
- 2. What is a mission?
- 3. What is ETOP?
- 4. What is vertical integration?
- 5. What do you mean by SWOT analysis?
- 6. What do you mean by takeovers?
- 7. What is SBU?
- 8. What is meant by strategy formulation?

 $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

Section B

Answer any **five** questions.

Each question carries 2 weight.

Answer each question not exceeding **two pages**.

- $9. \ \ What are the reasons for forming strategic alliances?$
- 10. Explain value chain analysis.
- 11. Bring out the benefits of external environmental appraisal.
- 12. Explain the purpose of doing a competitor analysis.
- 13. Explain BCG matrix.
- 14. Distinguish between mergers and acquisitions.

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- 15. Distinguish between Strategic Control from Operating Control.
- 16. Discuss the important elements of Mission statement.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

Section C

Answer any **three** questions. Each question carries 5 weights.

- 17. What do you mean by Synergy? What are the areas of synergistic advantages?
- 18. Describe the different steps involved in strategy implementation.
- 19. "Formulation of strategy does not ensure organisation success". Discuss.
- 20. Explain the basic elements of strategic management process.
- 21. What are the different types of factors affecting the process of environmental analysis?
- 22. What is a generic strategy? Explain in brief all the generic strategies.

 $(3 \times 5 = 15)$