B.Com(Hons) DEGREE EXAMINATION,NOVEMBER 2019 III Year V Semester Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks:75

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Section B $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ Marks

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- 12. Write a note on functions and contributions of SCM in 21st century.
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Section C $(2 \times 15 = 30)$ Marks

PART - A - Case Study - Compulsory Question

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Packing of B'FAST is very good and attractive but it is not long lasting type. However, the quality and taste are the reasons for its popularity. B'FAST is sold in three different packs – party, family and individual. B'FAST loses its taste and flavour after 8 hours, if it is not preserved in refrigeration. B'FAST is distributed through 30 distribution centres including three at its main procurement centres of Bhopal. Indore and Pune.

Transportation and storage problems are identified as the main culprits for the heavy losses being incurred at some centres. The managing Director of the company has formed a team consisting of senior executives to suggest a concrete plan to overcome problems of transport and storage.

As a Logistics Consultant, you are required to put forward your suggestions for the following:

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(b) Advice on the company owning its own fleet of transport.

PART - B

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