MBA 4Sem Imp List

Strategic Management

- 1. Define strategic management and explain its importance.
- 2. What is SWOT analysis? Explain its components.
- 3. Discuss the different types of strategies in strategic management.
- 4. Explain the process of strategy formulation.
- 5. What is environmental scanning?
- 6. Describe the concept of competitive advantage.
- 7. Explain Porter's Five Forces Model.
- 8. Discuss the BCG growth-share matrix.
- 9. What are the levels of strategy?
- 10. Explain the role of leadership in strategic management.
- 11. Discuss strategy implementation challenges.
- 12. What is strategic control?
- 13. Explain the concept of corporate governance in strategic management.
- 14. Discuss the role of innovation in strategic management.
- 15. Explain the Balanced Scorecard approach.

Financial Derivatives

- 1. Define financial derivatives and their types.
- 2. Explain forwards and futures contracts.
- 3. What are options? Describe call and put options.
- 4. Discuss the concept of swaps and their uses.
- 5. Explain the role of derivatives in risk management.
- 6. What is hedging? Explain with examples.
- 7. Discuss the pricing factors of options.
- 8. Explain the difference between exchange-traded and OTC derivatives.

- 9. What are the risks associated with derivatives trading?
- 10. Discuss the Black-Scholes model briefly.
- 11. Explain margin and mark-to-market in futures trading.
- 12. What is speculation in derivatives markets?
- 13. Discuss the regulatory framework for derivatives in India.
- 14. Explain credit derivatives and their importance.
- 15. What is the role of derivatives in portfolio management?

Behavioral Finance

- 1. What is behavioral finance? How is it different from traditional finance?
- 2. Explain cognitive biases with examples.
- 3. Discuss the concept of herd behavior.
- 4. What is overconfidence bias?
- 5. Explain loss aversion and its impact on investors.
- 6. Describe the disposition effect in investing.
- 7. What are heuristics in financial decision-making?
- 8. Discuss the role of emotions in investment decisions.
- 9. Explain prospect theory.
- 10. What is mental accounting?
- 11. Discuss the impact of anchoring bias on investors.
- 12. Explain how behavioral finance affects market anomalies.
- 13. What is framing effect in financial choices?
- 14. Discuss the role of investor psychology in financial markets.
- 15. How can behavioral finance help in portfolio management?

International Financial Management

- 1. Define international financial management and its scope.
- 2. Explain foreign exchange market and its participants.

- 3. What is exchange rate? Discuss types of exchange rate systems.
- 4. Explain factors affecting exchange rate determination.
- 5. Discuss the concept of purchasing power parity (PPP).
- 6. What is foreign exchange risk? How is it managed?
- 7. Explain the methods of hedging foreign exchange risk.
- 8. Discuss international capital budgeting techniques.
- 9. What are the features of international financial markets?
- 10. Explain balance of payments and its components.
- 11. Discuss the role of IMF and World Bank.
- 12. What is currency swap?
- 13. Explain political risk and how firms manage it.
- 14. Discuss the role of multinational corporations in global finance.
- 15. Explain the concept of transfer pricing.

Sales & Distribution Management

- 1. Define sales management and explain its importance.
- 2. Discuss the process of sales forecasting.
- 3. Explain the roles and responsibilities of a sales manager.
- 4. What is the sales force structure?
- 5. Discuss different types of sales territories.
- 6. Explain the steps in personal selling process.
- 7. What are the key components of a sales budget?
- 8. Discuss methods of sales performance evaluation.
- 9. Explain channel management and distribution strategies.
- 10. What is retail distribution and its importance?
- 11. Discuss the role of logistics in distribution management.
- 12. Explain the concept of supply chain management.
- 13. What are the challenges in managing sales force?

- 14. Discuss ethical issues in sales management.
- 15. Explain motivation and compensation of sales personnel.

Advertising and Brand Management

- 1. Define advertising and explain its objectives.
- 2. Discuss the advertising planning process.
- 3. Explain different types of advertising media.
- 4. What is brand management?
- 5. Discuss the importance of brand equity.
- 6. Explain the stages of brand development.
- 7. What are the components of brand positioning?
- 8. Discuss the concept of brand loyalty.
- 9. Explain the role of advertising in brand building.
- 10. What is integrated marketing communication (IMC)?
- 11. Discuss the measurement of advertising effectiveness.
- 12. Explain the challenges in advertising management.
- 13. What is the role of digital advertising today?
- 14. Discuss ethical issues in advertising.
- 15. Explain strategies for managing brand crisis.

Retail Marketing Management

- 1. Define retail marketing and explain its significance.
- 2. Discuss different types of retail formats.
- 3. Explain retail store layout and design principles.
- 4. What is category management in retailing?
- 5. Discuss the role of technology in retail marketing.
- 6. Explain the concept of retail branding.
- 7. What are the challenges faced by retailers?

- 8. Discuss pricing strategies in retail marketing.
- 9. Explain customer relationship management in retail.
- 10. What is the role of supply chain management in retail?
- 11. Discuss the impact of e-commerce on retail marketing.
- 12. Explain the process of retail merchandising.
- 13. What are the various retail promotional strategies?
- 14. Discuss legal and ethical issues in retailing.
- 15. Explain the future trends in retail marketing.

Performance Management & Counseling

- 1. Define performance management and its objectives.
- 2. Discuss the components of performance management system.
- 3. Explain the process of performance appraisal.
- 4. What are different methods of performance appraisal?
- 5. Discuss the role of counseling in performance management.
- 6. Explain feedback and its importance in performance management.
- 7. What is 360-degree feedback?
- 8. Discuss the challenges in performance management.
- 9. Explain goal setting theory in performance management.
- 10. What is the role of coaching in employee performance?
- 11. Discuss the importance of continuous performance monitoring.
- 12. Explain legal issues related to performance appraisal.
- 13. What are the competencies in performance management?
- 14. Discuss linking performance management to rewards.
- 15. Explain career counseling and its role in organizations.

Strategic Human Resources Management

1. Define strategic human resource management (SHRM).

- 2. Explain the relationship between business strategy and HR strategy.
- 3. Discuss the role of HR in strategy formulation and implementation.
- 4. What are the components of SHRM?
- 5. Explain strategic workforce planning.
- 6. Discuss competency mapping and its significance.
- 7. What is talent management?
- 8. Explain the role of HR analytics in SHRM.
- 9. Discuss strategic compensation management.
- 10. Explain the importance of change management in HR.
- 11. What are the challenges faced in SHRM?
- 12. Discuss the role of leadership development in SHRM.
- 13. Explain the concept of employer branding.
- 14. What is HR scorecard?
- 15. Discuss global HR strategies.

International Human Resources Management

- 1. Define international human resource management (IHRM).
- 2. Discuss the challenges of managing expatriates.
- 3. Explain the process of international staffing.
- 4. What are cultural differences in international HRM?
- 5. Discuss compensation management for international employees.
- 6. Explain training and development in IHRM.
- 7. What is performance management in an international context?
- 8. Discuss labor relations in international business.
- 9. Explain the role of global mobility in IHRM.
- 10. What are the legal issues in international HRM?
- 11. Discuss repatriation and its challenges.
- 12. Explain the concept of cross-cultural management.

- 13. What are the strategies for managing global teams?
- 14. Discuss HR policies for international assignments.
- 15. Explain the impact of globalization on HRM.