

***Revised Syllabus of Courses of Bachelor of Management Studies
(BMS) Programme at Semester V
with effect from the Academic Year 2018-2019***

***Elective Courses (EC)
Group B: Marketing Electives***

3. Sales and Distribution Management

Modules at a Glance

SN	Modules	No. of Lectures
1	Introduction	15
2	Market Analysis and Selling	15
3	Distribution Channel Management	15
4	Performance Evaluation, Ethics and Trends	15
Total		60

Objectives

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1	To develop understanding of the sales & distribution processes in organizations
2	To get familiarized with concepts, approaches and the practical aspects of the key decision making variables in sales management and distribution channel management

SN	Modules/ Units
1	Introduction
	<p>a) Sales Management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaning, Role of Sales Department, Evolution of Sales Management • Interface of Sales with Other Management Functions • Qualities of a Sales Manager • Sales Management: Meaning, Developments in Sales Management- Effectiveness to Efficiency, Multidisciplinary Approach, Internal Marketing, Increased Use of Internet, CRM, Professionalism in Selling. • Structure of Sales Organization – Functional, Product Based, Market Based, Territory Based, Combination or Hybrid Structure <p>b) Distribution Management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaning, Importance, Role of Distribution, Role of Intermediaries, Evolution of Distribution Channels. <p>c) Integration of Marketing, Sales and Distribution</p>
2	Market Analysis and Selling
	<p>a) Market Analysis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market Analysis and Sales Forecasting, Methods of Sales Forecasting • Types of Sales Quotas – Value Quota, Volume Quota, Activity Quota, Combination Quota • Factors Determining Fixation of Sales Quota • Assigning Territories to Salespeople <p>b) Selling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Process of Selling, Methods of Closing a Sale, Reasons for Unsuccessful Closing • Theories of Selling – Stimulus Response Theory, Product Orientation Theory, Need Satisfaction Theory • Selling Skills – Communication Skill, Listening Skill, Trust Building Skill, Negotiation Skill, Problem Solving Skill, Conflict Management Skill • Selling Strategies – Softsell Vs. Hardsell Strategy, Client Centered Strategy, Product-Price Strategy, Win-Win Strategy, Negotiation Strategy • Difference Between Consumer Selling and Organizational Selling • Difference Between National Selling and International Selling

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3	Distribution Channel Management
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management of Distribution Channel – Meaning & Need • Channel Partners- Wholesalers, Distributors and Retailers & their Functions in Distribution Channel, Difference Between a Distributor and a Wholesaler • Choice of Distribution System – Intensive, Selective, Exclusive • Factors Affecting Distribution Strategy – Locational Demand, Product Characteristics, Pricing Policy, Speed or Efficiency, Distribution Cost • Factors Affecting Effective Management Of Distribution Channels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Channel Design ▪ Channel Policy ▪ Channel Conflicts: Meaning, Types – Vertical, Horizontal, Multichannel, Reasons for Channel Conflict ▪ Resolution of Conflicts: Methods – Kenneth Thomas’s Five Styles of Conflict Resolution ▪ Motivating Channel Members ▪ Selecting Channel Partners ▪ Evaluating Channels ▪ Channel Control
4	Performance Evaluation, Ethics and Trends
	<p>a) Evaluation & Control of Sales Performance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales Performance – Meaning • Methods of Supervision and Control of Sales Force • Sales Performance Evaluation Criteria- Key Result Areas (KRAs) • Sales Performance Review • Sales Management Audit <p>b) Measuring Distribution Channel Performance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluating Channels- Effectiveness, Efficiency and Equity • Control of Channel – Instruments of Control – Contract or Agreement, Budgets and Reports, Distribution Audit <p>c) Ethics in Sales Management</p> <p>d) New Trends in Sales and Distribution Management</p>