B. B. A. (SERVICES MANAGEMENT) (BBASM)

Term-End Examination June, 2025

BSM-015: MANAGING SERVICE PROMISES

Time: 2 Hours Maximum Marks: 50

Note: There are four questions in this paper.

Answer all questions.

- 1. Answer all the questions. Each question carries 1 mark. $1\times10=10$
 - Fill in the blanks:
 - (a) Advertising testimonials involve featuring
 - (b) communications are either downward from management to employees or upward from employees to management.

- (c) The represents the time cost and search cost.
- (d) The based pricing approach focuses on the prices charged by other.
- (e) refers to the fact that price cannot be hidden or implicit.
- (f) is used by the firm that has customers with high transaction cost for one or more of its products.
- (g) is used by the products that can be divided into two distinct parts.
- (h) The lowers price sensitivity.
- (i) costs refer to the time cost and search cost.
- (j) represents giving 'more for less'.
- 2. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **100** words each: $2\times5=10$
 - (a) What do you understand by 'Substitution Effect'?
 - (b) What do you mean by odd pricing?
 - (c) Explain the concept of ethics in pricing.

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- (d) Explain the term shared price effect.
- (e) What is a sealed bid? When and how is it used?
- (f) Explain the Direct Price Rating Method.
- (g) Explain the term 'Search Cost'.
- 3. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about **250** words each : $5\times4=20$
 - (a) Do you think spending on a social media marketing is a good investment for a marketer?
 - (b) Why is it important to create a strong service brand?
 - (c) Explain the unique value effect in detail.
 - (d) Give the example of an industry where the price war is happening and discuss the strategies used by the companies involved.

- (e) Explain the differential pricing strategy with suitable examples.
- (f) Discuss (i) Acquisition Value and (ii) Transaction Value.
- 4. Answer any *one* question in **500** words:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- (a) What are the different pricing practices that a firm can follow? Give examples.
- (b) For what reasons do you think customers with high disposable income are willing to pay even premium price?

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