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IV Semester M.B.A. (Day and Evening) Degree Examination, December - 2023

MANAGEMENT

Strategic HRM

(CBCS Scheme)

Paper: 4.4.2

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

## SECTION-A

Answer any Five questions from the following. Each question carries 5 marks.

(5×5=25)

- Explain the role of HRM in Knowledge Economy.
- 2. Differentiate between Strategic HR Vs. Traditional HR.
- How do you link HRM with Firm Performance?
- 4. What are the various strategic management frameworks?
- 5. Outline the salient features of HR Bundles Approach.
- 6. Examine the significance of Strategic HR in M and A.
- Explain the essential components of Reward Management System.

### SECTION - B

Answer any Three questions from the following. Each question carries 10 marks.

(3×10=30)

- 8. Explain Organisational Disruption with the help of VUCA Environment in detail.
- 9. Explain the importance of Sustained competitive advantages through inimitable HR practices.
- 10. Explain the dimensions of Intercultural competence and modes of cross cultural training.
- 11. Write short notes on:
  - Strategic options and HR decisions.
  - b) HR strategy for International Mergers and Acquisitions.



#### SECTION-C

# This is compulsory. It carries 15 marks.

 $(1 \times 15 = 15)$ 

Read the case given below and answer to the questions given at the end.

Mahindra & Mahindra (M&M) is a major player in the tractor and certain segments of automobile market in India. After an impressive growth for few years, the tractor market in India has been stagnating during 1998-1999 to 2000-2001.

M&M has been selling its tractors and utility vehicles in foreign markets including USA. Some of the components for its products have been sourced from abroad.

M&M has a 100 percent subsidiary in USA, Mahindra USA, with a strong network of 100 dealers.

Mahindra has five percent share in the US market in the 28-30 horse power (HP) range.

As a part of the strategy aimed at building a global supply chain, Mahindra USA has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Korean tractor major Tong Yang, a part of the \$ 2 billion Tong Yang Mooslam group, according to which Mahindra will source high horsepower (mostly 25-40 hp range) and sell them around the world under the M&M brand name. To start with, the premium range of tractors will be sold in the US.

M&M's current tractor range is more utility-oriented and lacks the aesthetic appeal that Tong Yang's tractors have, a must for a strong presence in the US market.

#### Questions.

- a) What are the advantages and disadvantages of global sourcing?
- b) How will the foreign market expansion help M&M?
- c) How does the strategic alliance with Tong Yang benefit M&M?