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M.Com. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, JUNE 2019

Second Semester

Faculty of Commerce

SM02 C07—STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Section A

- I. Answer any five questions. Each question carries 1 weight. Answer each question not exceeding one page:
 - 1 What is TOWS Matrix?
 - 2 What is turnaround strategy?
 - 3 What do you mean by mergers?
 - 4 What is corporate strategy?
 - 5 What do you mean by value chain?
 - 6 What is SBU?
 - 7 What is a mission?
 - 8 What is Business Portfolio Analysis?

 $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

Section B

- II. Answer any five questions. Each question carries 2 weight. Answer each question not exceeding two pages:
 - 9 What is strategic management? What are the limitations of strategic management?
 - 10 Explain the techniques of environmental search.
 - 11 What is integration? Explain forward and backward integration concepts.
 - 12 Explain BCG matrix.
 - 13 What is GE model? What are its implications? Explain relative merits and demerits.

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- 14 What are the key characteristics of a mission statement?
- 15 What are the limitations of SWOT analysis? Give reasons.
- 16 Why would some companies want to diversify?

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

Section C

- III. Answer any three questions. Each question carries 5 weights.
 - 17 Explain Product Life Cycle.
 - 18 What is environmental scanning? What are the components of environmental scanning?
 - 19 What do you mean by setting the objective? What factors govern the setting of the objectives?
 - 20 Describe the different steps involved in strategy implementation.
 - 21 What is a generic strategy? Explain in brief all the generic strategies.
 - 22 Explain strategic management models in decision making.

 $(3 \times 5 = 15)$

