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HEM-708 Strategic Management

Time - 3 Hour

Maximum Marks: 50 (Minimum Marks: 20)

Instructions to students:

- This question paper contains 03 printed page/s.
- Don't write anything on the Question Paper except writing your Enrolment No.

Part A

(Maximum Marks: 5)

Q1. Choose the most appropriate option for each of the following (1 mark each):

- (a). An organization's _____ is the purpose or reason for the organization's existence.
 - (i). Strategic management
 - (ii). Strategy formulation
 - (iii). Strategy implementation
 - (iv). Strategic evaluation
- (b). The environmental segments that comprise the general environment typically will **NOT** include-
 - (i). Demographic factors.
 - (ii). Socio-cultural factors.
 - (iii). Substitute products or services.
 - (iv). Technological factors.
- (c). In VRIO framework 'V' stands for:
 - (i). Valuable
 - (ii). Valence
 - (iii). Variable
 - (iv). All of the above
- (d). What is meant by focused differentiation?
 - (i). Providing a high perceived value service or product to a selected market segment that justifies a substantial price premium.
 - (ii). Simultaneously seeking to achieve differentiation and a price lower than that of competitors.
 - (iii). Reducing the cost.
 - (iv). Broad Target market.
- (e). _____ process ensures that the company is achieving what it set out to accomplish.
 - (i). Evaluation and control
 - (ii). Strategy formulation
 - (iii). Strategy implementation
 - (iv). Environmental Scanning

Part B

(Maximum Marks: 15)

Answer the following questions, in brief:

- Q2.** Explain VRIO Framework. (3)
- Q3.** What are timing tactics? Illustrate. (3)
- Q4.** What is Strategy Implementation? Explain common issues in strategy Implementation. (3)
- Q5.** What are the different types of Strategic Control? (3)
- Q6.** What are the barriers in evaluation? (3)

Part C

(Maximum Marks: 30)

Answer the following questions, in detail:

- Q7.** Draft a conceptual model for creating a 'strategic plan' for a healthcare organization. (10)
- Q8.** (a) 'The intensity of competition depends on several factors in healthcare industry.' Identify these factors and discuss briefly. (10)
- (b) Can cost leadership strategy allow a firm to earn above-average returns despite strong competitive forces? Discuss.
- Q9.** Give a detailed account on various human resource activities that contribute to the effective strategy implementation. Also, explain the importance of matching organizational structure with strategy in strategy implementation. (10)