MBA(D) (4th Semester) Examinations, Dec. 2020 (DDE) [Session: Jan 2019-Dec 2020]

Subject: Knowledge Management and Business Excellence Paper: MBD-402

Time: 3 Hours Full Marks: 80

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Group - A

Answer any six questions.

 $5 \times 6 = 30$

- 1. What is knowledge? Differentiate between information and knowledge.
- 2. Justify the need of knowledge management (KM) in an organisation.
- 3. Sum up the distinctive features of knowledge economy.
- 4. What is Design of Experiments? Explain.
- 5. Briefly explicate the concept of Six Sigma.
- 6. What is Benchmarking? How do you differentiate between Internal and Generic Benchmarking?
- 7. Explain the phases of knowledge life cycle.
- 8. What are the important principles of organisational learning?

Group -B

Answer any five questions.

 $10 \times 5 = 50$

- 9. In relation to knowledge management, explain the following terms:
 - (i) Knowledge map
 - (ii) Knowledge web
 - (iii) Weeding
 - (iv) Categorising
 - (v) Narratives
- 10. Briefly describe the Taguchi's Experimental Design Method.
- 11. What is organisation culture? Discuss the types of organisation culture.
- 12. What are ICTs? Describe the role of ICTs in knowledge management for development.
- 13. Discuss the characteristics of the practice-based perspective of knowledge and explain its difference with the objectivist-based perspective of knowledge.
- 14. Explain Kanji's Business Excellence Model (KBEM) and analyse how can this model be used in integrating leadership and business excellence.
- 15. (a) What do you mean by organisational learning? Explain the six learning processes in the context of organisational learning.
 - (b) In what way is organisational learning different from learning organisations?