

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA

Faculty of Management and Finance

Bachelor of Business Administration (Semester V) Examination – 2022

MKT 3316 – Marketing Communications

Three (03) Hours

The Question Paper Consists of Six (06) Questions Provided on Two (02) Pages

This is an Open Book Examination. Answer Any Five (05) Questions.

*Note: Students will not get marks for examples discussed in class.

1. i. Briefly explain the concept of 'Influencer Marketing' with an example from the Sri Lankan context.

(05 Marks)

ii. Explain three 'Communications based' drivers of integrated marketing communications with examples.

(15 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

- 2. Assume you are the marketing manager of a leading bank in Sri Lanka. Propose a marketing communications plan for a Children's Savings product that will be launched soon. The plan should include details on:
 - the advertising appeal, executional framework/s and celebrity spokespersons to be used in the campaign
 - different media vehicles to be used (including a schedule for the first month)
 - the continuity of the advertising campaign

(20 Marks)

3. Assume you are the marketing manager of a leading telecommunications company in Sri Lanka. You have been assigned the task of increasing the broadband customer base. Prepare a report to the Senior Management on the use of personal selling for this task highlighting the role of personal selling, opportunities and challenges.

(20 Marks)

4. i. 'A marketing manager must pay attention to several important aspects when planning a 'Premium' programme under sales promotions. Explain this statement with examples.

(10 Marks)

ii. Explain, as a marketer, how you would use any two (02) consumer promotion methods for a clothing retail company.

(10 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

5. Explain the prerequisites for an effective public relations effort with appropriate examples, based on the article 'Rebuilding Corporate Reputations' by Bonini, S., Court, D., & Marchi, A. (2009) published in the McKinsey Quarterly.

(20 Marks)

6. i. Examine the impact of unethical marketing communications practices on the general public with reference to two (02) vulnerable groups.

(08 Marks)

ii. Propose three (03) guidelines for ethical marketing communications practices for Sri Lankan marketers.

(12 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)