# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034



## M.Com. DEGREE EXAMINATION - COMMERCE

## FOURTH SEMESTER - APRIL 2022

## PCO 4503 - RURAL MARKETING

Date: 20-06-2022	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks

Time: 01:00-04:00

## PART - A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ Marks})$ 

## **Answer ALL questions**

- 1. Define Rural as per RBI norms.
- 2. What do you mean by Tertiary Sector?
- 3. Distinguish between Product Awareness and Product Interest.
- 4. Who is an innovator in the rural market?
- 5. State the meaning of Slice of Life Observation.
- 6. Why do researchers prefer Purposive Sampling to study rural consumer behavior?
- 7. What is meant by Spell-alike fake brand?
- 8. How do you classify rural products?
- 9. Sketch out the Spokes & Hub Model used by rural distribution channels.
- 10. Enlist any four advantages of wall painting.

## PART – B

 $(4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ Marks})$ 

## **Answer any FOUR questions**

- 11. Bring out the elements of Marketing Mix specific to rural.
- 12. How can the political environment affect rural marketing?
- 13. What are the cultural factors that influence rural consumer behavior?
- 14. Enumerate the phases of buying decision process adopted by rural consumers.
- 15. Highlight any five Participatory Rural Appraisal tools used in rural research.
- 16. State the pre-requisites for effective segmentation in Indian rural markets.
- 17. Explore the key challenges in reaching rural markets.

## PART - C

 $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ Marks})$ 

## **Answer any TWO questions**

- 18. Describe the demographic factors that marketers should consider when segmenting the rural markets.
- 19. Elaborate the price adjustment strategies customized to penetrate rural markets.
- 20. Describe the steps involved in developing effective rural communication.
- 21. Explain the potential and strategic importance of Small Towns.

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