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## MBA 4th Semester Examination Strategic Management

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Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

The candidates shall limit their answers precisely within the answerbook (40 pages) issued to them and no supplementary/continuation sheet will be issued.

**Note :** Answer any five questions. Each question is of 12 marks. All questions carry equal marks.

- Explain the concept of strategic management. Why has strategic management become so important for today's corporations?
  (12)
- 2. What is differentiation strategy? Explain the capabilities a firm should possess to support differentiation based strategy. (12)
- 3. According to Porter, what determines the level of competitive intensity in an industry? (12)
- 4. What is value chain analysis? How is value chain analysis different from SWOT analysis? (12)
- 5. "Structure follows strategy" or "strategy follows structure" which one of these is true? Validate your point. (12)
- 6. How does the concept "translate thought into action" bear on the relationship between strategy formulation and implementation? (12)
- 7. What is strategic change? Why is it essential for an organization to change? (12)

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- 8. Explain the role of leadership in strategy implementation. (12)
- 9. Explain and discuss Balanced Scorecard as a technique of strategy evaluation. (12)
- 10. How is performance measured for strategy evaluation? What are the key considerations in monitoring deviations from performance standards? (12)