B. Com III Semester Syllabus implemented from academic year 2016-17

III SEMESTER

3.1 RETAIL MANAGEMENT

Objective :

- 1. To make the students understand the philosophy of retailing in India
- 2. To familiarize the students with the basic concepts and principles of Retail Marketing and to develop their conceptual and analytical skills to be able to manage retail operations.

Units	Topics	Hours
Ι	Introduction to Retail Management: Evolution of retailing in	10
	India, Meaning and Definitions of Retail Management, Role of	
	Retailers, Retailers as a link between producer and consumer,	
	challenges faced by retailers, - E-Retailing- Advantages and	
	disadvantages.	
II	Retail Developments and Formats in Retailing: Organized and	10
	un-organized Retailing – Traditional retail formats, Reasons for the	
	emergence of modern retail formats, Modern retail formats-	
	advantages and disadvantages of modern retail formats.	
III	Retail Expansion: Meaning- Need-Methods of retail expansion-	10
	FDI - Meaning & importance, New FDI policy, advantages and	
	disadvantages. Internationalization- Franchising- Merits and De-	
	merits of franchising- franchising in India.	
IV	Retail Pricing : Concept of retail pricing, Elements of retail price-	10
	Determining the price- Retail pricing strategy- Adjustment to retail	
	price- Comparison of mark-ups and mark-downs, Methods of	
	pricing.	
V	Retail Marketing Mix: Meaning of retail marketing mix, concept	10
	of segmentation, targeting, product positioning (STP Approach) for	
	retail store platforms of retail communication mix- Advertising,	
	Sales promotion, public relations-social media.	

Reference Books:

- 1) Marketing in India : By S. Neelameghan, Vikas Publication
- 2) Retailing Management : By Swapna, Mc Grow Hill
- 3) Marketing Management : By Dr. R. B. Rudani, S. Chand Publications
- 4) Marketing Management : BY- Dr. A. Karunakaran, Himalaya Publication