

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY Bachelor of Pharmacy Subject Code: BP803TT SEMESTER: VIII

Subject Name: Pharma Marketing Management

Scope: The pharmaceutical industry not only needs highly qualified researchers, chemists and, technical people, but also requires skilled managers who can take the industry forward by managing and taking the complex decisions which are imperative for the growth of the industry. The Knowledge and Know-how of marketing management groom the people for taking a challenging role in Sales and Product management.

Objectives: The course aims to provide an understanding of marketing concepts and techniques and their applications in the pharmaceutical industry.

Teaching scheme and examination scheme:

Teaching Scheme				Evaluation Scheme			
Theory	Tutorial	Practical	Total	Theory		Practical	
				External	Internal	External	Internal
3	1	0	4	80	20	0	0

Sr No	Topics	% weightage		
1.	Marketing:			
	Definition, general concepts and scope of marketing; Distinction between			
	marketing & selling; Marketing environment; Industry and competitive			
	analysis; Analyzing consumer buying behavior; industrial buying behavior			
	Pharmaceutical market:			
	Quantitative and qualitative aspects; size and composition of the market;			
	demographic descriptions and socio-psychological characteristics of the			
	consumer; market segmentation& targeting.Consumer profile; Motivation and			
	prescribing habits of the physician; patients' choice of physician and retail			
2	pharmacist.Analyzing the Market;Role of market research.	10		
2.	Product decision:	10		
	Classification, product line and product mix decisions, product life cycle,			
	product portfolio analysis; product positioning; New product decisions; Product branding, packaging and labeling decisions, Product management in			
	pharmaceutical industry.			
3.	Promotion:			
5.	Methods, determinants of promotional mix, promotional budget; An overview	10		
	of personal selling, advertising, direct mail, journals, sampling, retailing,			
	medical exhibition, public relations, online promotional techniques for OTC			
	Products.			
	Pharmaceutical marketing channels:	10		
4.	Designing channel, channel members, selecting the appropriate channel, conflict			
	in channels, physical distribution management: Strategic importance, tasks in			
	physical distribution management.			
	Professional sales representative (PSR):			
	Duties of PSR, purpose of detailing, selection and training, supervising, norms			
	for customer calls, motivating, evaluating, compensation and future prospects of			
	the PSR.			
5.	Pricing:	10		
	Meaning, importance, objectives, determinants of price; pricing methods and			
	strategies, issues in price management in pharmaceutical industry. An overview			



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	of DPCO (Drug Price Control Order) and NPPA (National Pharmaceutical		
	Pricing Authority).		
Emerging concepts in marketing:			
	Vertical & Horizontal Marketing; RuralMarketing; Consumerism; Industrial		
	Marketing; Global Marketing.		

Recommended Books: (Latest Editions)

- 1. Philip Kotler and Kevin Lane Keller: Marketing Management, Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi
- 2. Walker, Boyd and Larreche : Marketing Strategy- Planning and Implementation, Tata MC GrawHill, New Delhi.
- 3. Dhruv Grewal and Michael Levy: Marketing, Tata MC Graw Hill
- 4. Arun Kumar and N Menakshi: Marketing Management, Vikas Publishing, India
- 5. Rajan Saxena: Marketing Management; Tata MC Graw-Hill (India Edition)
- 6. Ramaswamy, U.S & Nanakamari, S: Marketing Managemnt:Global Perspective, IndianContext,Macmilan India, New Delhi.
- 7. Shanker, Ravi: Service Marketing, Excell Books, New Delhi
- 8. Subba Rao Changanti, Pharmaceutical Marketing in India (GIFT Excel series) Excel Publications.