(For the candidates admitted from 2024-25 onwards)

M.Com. DEGREE EXAMINATION, AUGUST 2025.

Second Semester

RURAL AND AGRICULTURAL MARKETING

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

PART A — $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks})$

Answer the following questions.

- 1. What is Rural Marketing?
- 2. Define Urban Marketing?
- 3. What are the Rural Buyer Behaviours?
- 4. Who is the Rural Consumer?
- 5. What is Rural Product Strategy?
- 6. What are the Customer Value Strategies?
- 7. What is Food Processing?
- 8. What is Direct Marketing?
- 9. What is Cooperative Marketing?
- 10. What is the role of Cooperatives?

PART B —
$$(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks})$$

Answer any THREE questions.

- 11. Analyze the impact of demographic factors on rural marketing environment.
- 12. What are the key aspects of rural buyer behavior?
- 13. Explain the key product innovation strategies for rural products.
- 14. Explain the advantages of food processing.
- 15. What is the structure of Cooperative Marketing Societies?

PART C — $(5 \times 8 = 40 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions.

16. (a) Explain the concept and nature of Rural Marketing in detail.

Or

- (b) Explain the key factors to becoming a successful rural, marketer.
- 17. (a) Describe the environmental factors affecting rural consumers.

Or

- (b) Mention the Rural consumer decision making process.
- 18. (a) Briefly explain the role of agricultural price commission in India.

Or

- (b) Explain the Determination of Minimum Support Price.
- 19. (a) Explain the processing of agricultural commodities like wheat, paddy, pulses, and oilseeds.

Or

- (b) Discuss the Market Communication Challenge in Rural Markets.
- 20. (a) Describe the types of Cooperative Marketing Societies.

Or

(b) Explain the role of cooperatives.