# SBM NMIMS Ph.D. Admission Entrance Test 2024

# Section 1: GMAT style objective MCQ test including quantitative aptitude, logical reasoning, reading comprehension and English language

# Section 2: Specialization wise objective MCQ test

## Syllabus and Reference books for Specialization wise test

# **Specialization: Business Policy and General Management**

#### **Topics:**

- External Analysis & Internal Analysis
- Business Level Strategy & Corporate Level Strategy
- Strategy Implementation & Control

**Reference Book:** Grant, R. M., Jose, P. D., Yayavaram, S., & George, R. (2021). Contemporary Strategy Analysis, 10e. (Indian Adaptation). Wiley.

Topic: ESG & Sustainability

**Reference Book:** Ferrell, O. C., Fraedrich, J., & Ferrell, L. (2017). Business Ethics: Ethical Decision Making & Cases, 12e. Cengage

#### **Specialization: Economics**

#### **Topics/Chapter no:**

- 1. The Market
- 2. Budget Constraint
- 3. Preferences
- 4. Utility
- 5. Choice
- 6. Demand
- 7. Consumer Surplus
- 8. Market Demand
- 9. Equilibrium
- 10. Technology
- 11. Profit Maximization
- 12. Cost Minimization
- 13. Cost Curves
- 14. Firm Supply
- 15. Industry Supply
- 16. Monopoly
- 17. Oligopoly
- 18. Game Theory
- 19. Behavioural Economics
- 20. Public Goods

**Reference Book:** Hal R. Varian Intermediate Microeconomics A Modern Approach, 8th Edition W. W. Norton & Co.

#### **Topics/Chapter no**

- 1. National Income and Accounting
- 2. Growth and Accumulation
- 3. Growth and Policy
- 4. Aggregate Supply and Demand
- 5. Aggregate Supply and the Phillips Curve
- 6. Unemployment
- 7. Inflation
- 8. Income and Spending
- 9. Money, Interest, and Income
- 10. Monetary and Fiscal Policy
- 11. International Linkages
- 12. Consumption and Saving
- 13. Investment Spending
- 14. The Demand for Money
- 15. The Fed, Money, and Credit
- 16. Policy
- 17. Financial Markets and Asset Prices
- 18. The National Debt
- 19. Recession and Depression
- 20. Inflation and Hyperinflation

**Reference Book:** Rudiger Dornbusch, Stanley Fischer and Richard Startz Macroeconomics, 13th edition

## **Specialization: Finance**

**Topics:** 

- a. Balance Sheet
- b. Profit and Loss Statement
- c. Statement of Cash Flows
- d. Analysis Annual Report
- e. Ratio Analysis
- f. Trend Analysis
- g. Common Size Statement

**Reference Book**: Ramachandran, N. and Kakani R. K. (2020) Financial Accounting for Management, 5th Edition, McGraw Hill.

#### **Topics:**

- a. Understanding of Cost and Managerial Accounting
- b. Cost-Volume-Profit Analysis
- c. Marginal Costing and Relevant Costing
- d. Budgeting and Variance Analysis

**Reference Book:** Datar, S.M., and Rajan, M. (2017). Horngren's Cost Accounting: A Managerial Emphasis. 16th ed. Pearson.

- a. Time Value of Money
- b. Investment Decision
- c. Financing Decision
- d. Working Capital Decision
- e. Dividend Decision

**Reference Book:** Brealey, R.A., Myers, S. C., Allen F., Mohanty, P. (2018). Principles of Corporate Finance. 12th Edition. McGraw Hill Education India

- a. Overview of Financial Markets and Institutions
- b. Money Market Instruments
- c. Bond Markets: Types, Pricing, and Trading
- d. Equity Markets: Stock Exchanges, Indices,

**Reference Book and Websites:** Mishkin, F. S. and Eakins, S. (2017) Financial Markets and Institutions, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition. Pearson Education. BSE and NSE websites.

## **Specialization: Human Resources and Behavioral Sciences**

#### **Topics: Diversity and Inclusion in Organizations**

- o Attitudes
- Emotions
- Personality, Learning, and Values
- Perception
- Motivation
- Group Behavior
- o Leadership
- Power and Politics
- Conflict and Negotiation
- Organization Structure
- Organizational Culture
- Organizational Change
- Stress Management

**Reference Book:** Robbins, S. P., Judge, T. A., & Vohra, N. (2019). Organizational Behavior, Pearson Publication, Eighteenth Edition.

#### **Topics:**

- o Job Analysis
- Workforce Planning and Recruiting
- Employee Testing, Selection and Interviewing
- Training and Developing Employees
- $\circ \quad \text{Performance Management} \\$
- o Talent Management
- Managing Careers and Retention
- Employee Compensation
- Employee Relations

**Reference Book:** Dessler, Gary and Varkkey, Biju (2023) Human Resource Management, Pearson Publication, 17<sup>th</sup> edition.

## **Specialization: Marketing**

#### **Topics:**

- Fundamentals of marketing
- Segmentation, targeting, positioning
- Marketing mix
- Branding
- Advertising

- Consumer behavior
- Customer value, satisfaction, loyalty
- B2 B and B2C Market
- 5Cs, 6M, PESTEL, PORTER etc. Frameworks
- Value proposition
- Market research etc.

**Reference Book:** Marketing management: *A south Asian perspective*. Pearson Education India by Phillip Kotler Keller, Chernev, Sheth and G. Shainesh (15<sup>th</sup> edition).

### **Specialization: Operations and Data Sciences:**

**Topics:** Central Tendency, Sampling and Sampling Distribution, Normal Distribution, Hypothesis Testing, Regression Analysis

**Reference Book:** Anderson, Sweeney, Williams, Camm, Cochran (2023). Statistics for Business & Economics, 14<sup>th</sup> ed., Cengage Learning.

**Topics:** Product & Services Continuum, Productivity Measures, Process Selection for better Productivity, Capacity Planning, Facility Layout, Inventory Management, Project Management

Reference Book: Stevenson, W. J. (2020). Operations management (14th Edition). McGraw Hill.