

Strategic Management (534EBH) Question Bank

Part A

- 1. Define strategic management.
- 2. What is a mission statement?
- 3. What are strategic decisions?
- 4. Write any one component of a strategic management model.
- 5. What is competitive advantage?
- 6. Who proposed the Five Forces Model?
- 7. What is meant by "strategy formulation"?
- 8. Mention any one dimension of strategic decisions.
- 9. What is industry rivalry?
- 10. State one external force influencing strategy formulation.
- 11. What is environmental forecasting?
- 12. What are corporate profiles?



- 13. Define long-term objectives.
- 14. What are grand strategies?
- 15. What is strategy implementation?
- 16. Give one example of a global strategy.
- 17. What is institutionalizing strategy?
- 18. Define organisational culture.
- 19. What is strategic evaluation?
- 20. Expand GATS / WTO (any global-related question).
- 21. What are core competencies?
- 22. What is cost leadership?
- 23. Define differentiation strategy.
- 24. What is focus strategy?
- 25. What are functional-level strategies?
- 26. What is marketing strategy?



- 27. Define R&D strategy.
- 28. What is financial strategy?
- 29. What is HR strategy?
- 30. What is meant by production strategy?
- 31. What is portfolio analysis?
- 32. Expand BCG.
- 33. What is the GE Business Screen?
- 34. Define directional policy matrix.
- 35. What is Hofer's product-market matrix?
- 36. What is strategic implementation?
- 37. What are structural issues?
- 38. Define strategic leadership.
- 39. What is organizational behaviour in strategy?
- 40. What is synergy?



Part B Questions

- 1. Explain the nature and significance of strategic management.
- 2. Describe the components of a strategic management model.
- 3. Write a short note on formulating a company mission.
- 4. Explain any three forces influencing strategy formulation.
- 5. Discuss the key elements of Porter's Five Forces Model.
- 6. Differentiate between strategic decisions and operational decisions.
- 7. Briefly explain the process of strategy formulation.
- 8. Explain the need for environmental forecasting.
- 9. Write a note on formulating long-term objectives.
- 10. Explain different types of grand strategies.
- 11. Explain the process of acquiring core competencies.
- 12. Describe Porter's three generic strategies.
- 13. Write a short note on production and operations strategy.



- 14. Explain financial strategies at the functional level.
- 15. Discuss HR strategies in business-level planning.
- 16. Explain marketing strategies used at the functional level.
- 17. Describe the importance of R&D strategies.
- 18. Describe the relationship between strategy and structure.
- 19. State the steps involved in strategy implementation.
- 20. Write a short note on leadership in strategy implementation.
- 21. Explain the process of strategic evaluation and control.
- 22. Explain the BCG Growth-Share Matrix.
- 23. Write a short note on GE Business Screen Model.
- 24. Describe Shell's Directional Policy Matrix.
- 25. Explain structural issues in strategy implementation.
- 26. Write a note on behavioural issues in strategy implementation.
- 27. Discuss the role of strategic leadership.



- 28. Explain the challenges in strategic implementation.
- 29. Write a short note on EVA and MVA.
- 30. Describe ERP and its strategic benefits.
- 31. Explain stakeholder analysis.
- 32. Differentiate between strategic control and operational control.
- 33. Write a note on systems thinking in strategic management.
- 34. Explain the techniques used for strategic evaluation.
- 35. Identify strategic mistakes using the VRIO framework for BYJU's.
- 37. Explain the process of Conducting a strategic audit.
- 38. What turnaround strategies should BYJU'S adopt?
- 39. Evaluate Ola's sustainability using Balanced Scorecard.
- 40. What is a PESTLE Analysis?
- 41. Define core competencies.
- 42. What are strategic capabilities?



- 43. Explain the concept of industry attractiveness.
- 44. Define strategy and differentiate it from tactics.
- 46. What is strategic intent? Give examples.
- 47. Explain vision and mission statements with suitable examples.
- 48. Explain KPIs and their relevance.
- 49. What is benchmarking*?
- 50. Explain financial vs. non-financial measures in strategic evaluation.

Part C Questions

- 1. Discuss in detail the strategic management process with a neat diagram.
- 2. Explain the dimensions of strategic decisions with suitable examples.
- 3. Evaluate Porter's Five Forces Model and its relevance in today's competitive environment.
- 4. Analyze the major internal and external forces influencing strategy formulation.
- 5. Explain in detail how a company formulates its mission and the characteristics of a good mission statement.
- 6. Discuss the various techniques used for environmental forecasting.



- 7. Explain the process of formulating corporate and global strategies.
- 8. Analyze the components of strategy implementation with suitable examples.
- 9. Evaluate the role of structure, leadership and culture in institutionalizing strategy.
- 10. Define long-term objectives and explain their significance in strategic management.
- 11. Discuss business-level strategies and explain Porter's Generic Strategies Model.
- 12. Evaluate the role of core competencies in achieving competitive advantage.
- 13. Explain functional-level strategies (Production, Finance, Marketing, HR, R&D) with examples.
- 14. Compare and contrast cost leadership, differentiation, and focus strategies.
- 15. How do functional strategies support business-level strategies? Explain.
- 16. Discuss portfolio analysis tools (BCG, GE, Shell, Hofer) and their strategic applications.
- 17. Explain the steps involved in strategic implementation.
- 18. Analyze structural and behavioural issues in strategy implementation.
- 19. Evaluate the role of strategic leadership in successful strategy implementation.
- 20. Compare BCG Matrix and GE Business Screen with examples.



- 21. Explain the Balanced Scorecard approach.
- 22. Discuss the Balanced Scorecard in detail and its four perspectives.
- 23. Explain EVA & MVA and evaluate their relevance in strategic performance measurement.
- 24. Analyze the role of ERP in aiding strategic control and decision-making.
- 25. Discuss various types of strategic control systems and techniques.
- 26. Evaluate the importance of systems thinking in strategic evaluation and control.
- 27. Conduct a detailed PESTLE analysis for India's FMCG industry.
- 28. Evaluate Porter's Five Forces model using the example of the airline industry.
- 29. Explain VRIO framework with examples of companies like Google or Tesla.
- 30. Explain the strategic management process with suitable examples.
- 31. Evaluate the importance of vision and mission statements in strategic planning.
- 32. Discuss the role of leadership in strategic management with examples from Indian corporates.
- 33. Discuss McKinsey's 7-S Framework and its application to an organization undergoing restructuring.
- 34. Explain the concept of strategic change and how Kotter's 8-step model helps implement change.



35. Discuss leadership styles and their influence on strategic success.

Reliance Jio entered the telecom market with free data, low pricing, and aggressive customer acquisition.

- 36. Identify Jio's competitive strategy using Porter's Five Forces.
- 37. Discuss in detail TATA Starbucks Expansion Strategy. Tata Starbucks plans aggressive expansion across Tier II and Tier III cities.
- 38. Conduct a SWOT analysis for Jio.
- 39. Discuss how Jio's entry changed the structure of the telecom industry.
- 40. Discuss BYJU'S Growth & Crisis what would be the strategical reasons for its crisis?
- 41. With reference to Zomato & Swiggy, discuss how platform-based business models create competitive advantage.
- 42. Analyze Tesla's global strategy using Porter's Diamond Model.
- 43. Examine the diversification strategy of Adani or Reliance with suitable frameworks.
- 44. Conduct a strategic analysis of IKEA's entry into India.
- 45. Evaluate Amazon's growth and diversification using Ansoff's Matrix.
- 46. Discuss sustainability strategies adopted by Indian companies like TCS, Infosys, or ITC.
- 47. Analyze Nike's global branding strategy using the 7-S framework.



- 48. Explain the turnaround strategy of Air India after Tata acquisition.
- 49. Evaluate the competitive strategies of BigBasket vs. Blinkit.
- 50. Discuss how digital transformation is reshaping strategic management in Banking Industry.