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Course: Customer Relationship Management	Semester: 4
Program: MBA LSCM	Time: 3 Hours
Course code: MKTG8002	Max. Marks: 100
Instructions: Attempt all the questions.	

SECTION A **(5*6 = 30 Marks)**

<p>Multiple choice questions:</p> <p>Q1. Customer Relationship Management is about a) Acquiring the right customer b) Instituting the best processes c) Motivating employees d) All of the above</p> <p>Q2. CRM technology can help in a) Designing direct marketing efforts b) Developing new pricing models c) Processing transactions faster d) All of the above</p> <p>Q3. A _____ is an organized collection of detailed information about individual customers or prospects that is accessible, actionable and current for marketing purposes such as lead generation and others. a) Customer database b) Customer mailing list c) Business database d) None of the above</p> <p>Q4. _____uses sophisticated mathematical and statistical techniques such as neural networking and cluster analysis. a) Data mining b) Data survey c) CRM d) None of the above</p> <p>Q5. The main drawback of CRM is a) Implementing CRM before creating a customer strategy b) Rolling out CRM before changing the organization to match c) Stalking, not wooing customers d) All of the above</p> <p>Q6. The marketing messages committed to customers wishes is a part of a) Permission marketing b) Activity marketing c) Supplier marketing d) None of the above</p>	CO1
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SECTION B **(10*5 = 50 Marks)**

Attempt all the questions.

Q7.	Why e- CRM is important in present life?	CO2
Q8.	Why is the customer intimacy value discipline considered to be a defensive strategy? Explain your answer.	CO3
Q9.	What is Life time value related with customer?	CO4
Q10.	Indicate in what way a tour operator might measure the booking behaviour of its customers.	CO2
Q11.	Why do 70 per cent of the CRM projects fail, according to companies' perceptions?	CO3

SECTION-C **(10*2 = 20 Marks)**

Read the case and answer all the questions mentioned below:

Mitsubishi Motor Sales: Implementing Customer Relationship Management Systems

Until the late 1990s, Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc. was only about cars and its approach to retail customer service reflected that. There were more than 18 toll-free customer service numbers that callers had to navigate to find information on topics ranging from financing to sales to repairs, “We were fragmented in our approach, and we clearly lacked a customer focus,” says Greg O’Neill, executive vice president and general manager. Mitsubishi decided to change that. As part of accompany-wide shift to an increased focus on customers, executives challenged the call center to provide “one voice and one set of ears for the customer,” says CIO Tony Romero. That was the beginning of a continuing drive toward improved customer service through a customer relationship management (CRM) initiative that would eventually engage multiple departments and 18 vendors.

Today, Mitsubishi has one call center and an outsourced service provider that handles the most basic calls. The cost per call has decreased by about two-thirds, and that savings alone paid for the system in 18 months, according to Rich Donnelson, director of customer relations. The system saves agents time and uncertainty and enabled the call center to handle 38 percent more volume, with an even staffing level. Meanwhile, the company’s customer satisfaction rate rose by 8 percent, according to a survey by J.D. Power and Associates. Mitsubishi call center project team included members from its sales, marketing, finance, and IT departments, all of which contributed resources as needed. Early on, the team members established some rules of the road. First, they would selectively choose best-of-breed CRM software components, not the integrated CRM suits that seemed intent on force-fitting Mitsubishi’s needs into fixed product offerings. However, that required a constant struggle to keep 18 vendors heading in the same direction. The team members also decided to implement changes slowly, adding a technology only when all employees were using the last one implemented. This approach allowed call center agents to get comfortable with the new technology over time. To accommodate the deliberate, modular approach, all products had to pass the “three S” test: Is it simple? Does it satisfy? Is it scalable? “If we couldn’t answer yes to all three, we didn’t do it,” says Greg Stahl, Mitsubishi’s director of advertising.

The journey began in earnest in June 1999, when Mitsubishi chose to outsource its most basic level of customer calls to Baltimore-based Sitel Corp. within two months, Mitsubishi’s 18 toll-free customer numbers and the multiple call centers behind them were consolidated, and call center software from Siebel Systems was implemented. Also, as part of the companywide customer focus, a new customer-centric data-base was consolidated in-house the next year. The database became the engine powering the call center, but unfortunately, dirty data were a major obstacle. The project stalled for months as the data were cleansed and updated. In early 2001, a digital phone switch from Avaya Inc. was installed that allowed flexible skills-based call routing. Callers to the single toll-free number routed on menu choices. About half the callers got the information they needed from an interactive voice response unit, which can answer fairly sophisticated queries without live contact. Simple calls went to Sitel, and the rest were routed to call center agents with appropriate skills. In March 2001, graphical user interface upgrades put 11 screens’ worth of customer information on one screen of call center agents. In addition, Smart Scripts workflow software from Siebel provided agents with decision-tree scripts and automated customer correspondence. In May 2001, Mitsubishi managers began listening to outsourced service calls, and they could see agents’ screens with Avaya IP Agent software. The next month, the company started using workforce management software from Blue Pumpkin Software to hourly forecast call center coverage. Then Nice log software from Nice Systems was installed to record agents’ voice and screen activity for quality assurance and training. Aside from happier customers, the benefits to call center employees include career growth and higher pay. Previously, agents in separate call centers handled specific areas: accounts, vehicles, titles, or retailer queries. Now the silos are gone and agents can learn new skills in multiple areas, greatly increasing call center flexibility. The workforce management software schedules training time during lags, and agents who learn multiple skills earn more money. Call center turnover, which has traditionally been more than 20 percent, was about 7 percent last year. O’Neill says the executive team members regularly listen

in on service calls to get a feel for customer concerns, and they act on what they hear. “ that bubble up of information has driven more early marketing decisions and made us more effective earlier on than I could have ever thought,” O’Neill says. “That’s been a huge dividend.”

Q12.	What are the key application components of Mitsubishi’s CRM system? What is the business purpose of each of them?	CO3
Q13.	Do you approve of Mitsubishi’s approach to acquiring and installing its CRM system? Why or why not?	CO4