Mid-West University **Examinations Management Office**

Surkhet, Nepal Final Examination-2078 Master of Business Studies (MBS) Semester - III

Subject: Strategic Management Course Code: MGMT 536

Full Marks: 60 Pass Marks: 30 Time: 3: 00 Hours

You are required to answer in your own words as far as applicable. Figures in the margins indicate full marks.

SECTION A: CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS (10 X 1 = 10 MARKS)

Answer **ALL** the questions:

- 1. What do you mean by strategy?
- 2. Enlist the type of corporate level strategy.
- 3. State the meaning of environmental scanning.
- 4. Mention the concept of unique resources.
- 5. What do you understand by benchmarking?
- 6. Under what conditions is retrenchment strategy preferable?
- 7. State the meaning of core competency.
- 8. What is product diversification?
- 9. Give the concept of strategic evaluation.
- 10. Write down the definition of scenario planning.

SECTION B: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (3 X 8 = 24 MARKS)

Answer any **THREE** questions:

- 11. Write the meaning of strategic management. Explain, in brief, the importance of strategic management in the globalized world. [2+6]
- 12. Make a short note on available resources and threshold resources.
- 13. What are the different strategic options under strategic clock oriented market based strategies? Explain.[8]

[4+4]

[2+6]

- 14. What is SWOT analysis? How does SWOT analysis help an organization position itself strategically?
- 15. What is strategic control? Briefly explain the different types of strategic control.

SECTION C: LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS (2 X 13 = 26 MARKS)

Answer any **TWO** questions:

- 16. Who is chief executive officer (CEO)? Describe the role of CEO in strategy formulation, implementation and control. [3+10]
- 17. Why is portfolio analysis important? Explain your understanding of BCG matrix. What are the major contributions of this matrix in corporate strategic choice? Explain. [2+2+9]
- 18. "Study of business environment is one of the prime activities of modern manager." With reference to the given statement, explain the different components of internal and external business environments.[13]