## SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY

## **Programme: M.Sc (Home Science)** Subject: Family Resource Management Semester: II

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Paper Code: PH02CFRM01	Total Credit: 4
Title Of Paper: Consumer Education	Total Credit: 4

Unit	Description in detail	Weightage (%)
I	Consumer Education.	
	Brief History	
	Definition, concept and significance/need.	
	Objectives	
	Approach to consumer education- Economic, environmental, socio-cultural,	
	health & safety and legal.	
II	Action line for consumer education.	
	Action plan- knowing situation, formulating plan of action. Implementing,	
	evaluation and follow-up.	
	Methods for imparting education – Role- play and games, project testing and	
	evaluation.	
	Contents- Resource management, decision-making, sound purchasing habits,	
	learning skills, conservation and protection of environment.	
	Resources-Media-Written, audio and visual. Market place, government	
	agencies, consumer organization.	
	Problems faced and remedial measures.	
III	Teaching Consumerism	
	Plan for teaching better consumption practices, factors affecting.	
	Consumer aids- Meaning, Classification, types.	
	Consumer Rights and responsibilities.	
IV	Consumer Protection.	
	Need, measures and methods.	
	Role of consumer organizations-National and International.	
	Consumers International Regional Office at Pune, India.	
	Consumer laws- Role and Provisions of the acts- Implications.	
V	Setting up a consumer organization.	
	Significance, purpose, types of organizations	
	Organizational set up – Objectives, membership, emblem/Logo, basic	
	requirements and registration.	
	Suggestions for making the organization viable and effective.	
	Co-ordination with other organizations-National, International and	
	Government.	
	Do's and Don'ts for the consumer activist	
	Visits to local and near by prominent consumer organizations.	
<u></u>	Formulation of local consumer clubs.	
VI	Future of Consumer Education.	
	Need for research, organizing and implementing	
	Organizational role- agencies conducting and supporting research.	
	Formulation of projects in consumer research	
	Empowerment of consumers	



## **Basic Text & Reference Books:-**

- > Sethuraman, P., and Sethi, M.(2001) "Consumerism: Strategies and Tactics," CBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi.
- > Sethi, M., and Sethuraman, P., (1994) "Consumerism. A growing Concept," Phoenix Publisher, New Delhi.
- > Chadha. R, (1995) "The Emerging Consumer," New age International Publisher's ltd. And Willey Eastern ltd., New Delhi.
- ➤ Himachalam, D.,(2001) "Consumer protection".
- S.Goerge Getz, (1991), "The Consumer & the law" Willey Eastern limited, New Delhi.

