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SCIENCES**

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN

BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS

BAC 203: BUSINESS FINANCE 1

Date: 3/8/2016

Time: 11:00 – 1:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE

- a) Explain the types of agency costs that arise in agent-principal relationship that exist between shareholders and managers. (5 marks)
- b) Outline FOUR main objectives of a firm, which conflict and at the same time overlap – explain these overlap and conflicts. (5 marks)
- c) Laula limited issued 1million ordinary shares of Ksh 10 each and selling at sh 15 each at a cost of 12%.The company paid dividend at the rate of Ksh 4 per share.Calculate the cost of equity capital. (5 marks)
- d) State five disadvantages of debentures as a source of finance. (5 marks)

- e) An employer offers to start a pension plan for your 45-year-old father. The plan is to place Kshs.10,000 at the end of each year in an account that earns 6% annually. Your father wants to know how much will be in the account by retirement age at 65 years. He has asked you to assist him in his dilemma. Calculate the amount that will be in the account at retirement. (5 marks)
- f) Peleka stores intend to buy a car in three years' time. The car will cost Ksh870 100. Peleka deposited Ksh200 000 in Hela bank at the beginning of the first year and sh 240, 000 at the beginning of the second year. The bank pays 10% interest on deposits. Calculate the amount the business should deposit in the same bank account at the beginning of the third year so as to be in a position to buy the car. (5 marks)
- g) Investors and managers may not have a consensus of opinion towards risk when it comes to investment decisions. With the aid of a diagram, explain their attitudes towards risk. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO

You are the Financial Manager of Swift Ltd. situated at the heart of Kisumu City. The Company though very ambitious in diversifying its portfolio is also keen in the choice of the investments it makes. It intends to invest its resources in stocks that are less risky. You have been given the task of analyzing and advising on the choice of stocks to invest in. You have seen two securities being offered for subscription with the respective characteristics.

State of the Economy	Possibility of occurrence	Security M	Security N
P	0.2	10%	16%
Q	0.15	20%	18%
R	0.25	30%	15%
S	0.3	20%	20%
T	0.1	10%	21%

- a) Calculate the expected return on each security. (6 marks)
- b) Calculate the standard deviation of the returns on security M and N (10 marks)
- c) Which security do you recommend for the company to invest in and why? (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) The capital of a Mjengo Co. Ltd. is all Equity and consists of 600,000 shares of Shs.120 each. The anticipated growth rate is 12% and last years dividend was Shs.5 per share. What is the cost Equity? (3 marks)
- b) Its is common knowledge that ordinary shares are very risk and therefore Mjengo Co. Ltd has decided to adjust its capital structure proportions to 25% debt of 18,000 irredeemable debentures, 25% preferred stock in form of 100,000 preference shares and 50% equity while maintaining the same level of capital. The company anticipates the same growth rate as above and its preferred stock and 10% and 6% respectively. The corporate income tax rate is 30%.
- i) Calculate the cost of equity. (4 marks)
- ii) Calculate the dividend per share of preferred stock. (3 marks)
- iii) Calculate the cost of debt. (3 marks)
- c) What is Mjengo Co. Ltd. Weighted Average cost of Capital (WACC)? (7 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) What do you understand by the term “time value for money”? (4 marks)
- b) Jane after her retirement received her benefits and decided to invest Sh.500,000 in a savings account paying 8% compounded semi-annually. If she leaves the money in the account for 8 years, how much will she have in the account at the end of the 8 years? (6 marks)
- c) Solar Panel Company recently invested in a huge technology that gave it comparative advantage over its competitors. As a result, sales are expected to increase by over 200%. Because of this, the Co. management ratified to increase DPS by 10% into the foreseeable future. Assume the investors require 11% rate of return. How much is the solar Panel Co. stock worth today if the Company just paid a dividend of Shs.1.8 per share? (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

The following financial statements relate to the KOPO Company:

Assets	Shs.	Liabilities & Net worth	Shs.
Cash	28,500	Trade creditors	116,250
Debtors	270,000	Notes payable (9%)	54,000
Stock	<u>649,500</u>	Other current liabilities	100,500
Total current assets	948,800	Long term debt (10%)	300,000
Net fixed assets	<u>285,750</u>	Net worth	<u>663,000</u>
	<u>1,233,750</u>		<u>1,233,750</u>

Income Statement for the year ended 31 March 1995

	Shs.
Sales	1,972,500
Less cost of sales	<u>1,368,000</u>
Gross profit	604,500
Selling and administration expenses	<u>498,750</u>
Earning before interest and tax	105,750
Interest expense	<u>34,500</u>
	<u>71,250</u>
	<u>28,500</u>
Estimated taxation (40%)	<u>42,750</u>
Earnings after interest and tax	

Required

- a) Calculate:
- i) Inventory turnover ratio; (3 marks)
 - ii) Times interest earned ratio; (3 marks)
 - iii) Total assets turnover; (3 marks)
 - iv) Net profit margin (3 marks)
 - v) Current Ratio (2 marks)

(Note: Round your ratios to one decimal place)

- b) Explain three weaknesses associated with profit maximization goal? (6 marks)