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DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

BUSINESS FINANCE

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: FEBRUARY 2015

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.
- Answer question **ONE (Compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions.

This paper consists of Four printed pages.

QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

- a) Highlight and briefly describe FOUR role of a financial manager in a company. **(8 marks)**
- b) A project has a cost of sh. 2.4 million with an expected life of 6 years. The expected earnings before depreciation and tax (EBDT) are given as follows:

| Year | Earnings (EBDT) |
|------|-----------------|
| 1 | 720,000 |
| 2 | 760,000 |
| 3 | 780,000 |
| 4 | 800,000 |
| 5 | 820,000 |
| 6 | 360,000 |

The company has a tax bracket of 30%, cost of capital is 10% and uses straight line method of charging depreciation.

Required:

Compute

- i) ROCE/ARR **(10 marks)**
- ii) NPV **(8 marks)**
- iii) Profitability Index **(4 marks)**

QUESTION 2

- a) Samonje and Cobsa Ltd are medium sized companies involved in the sale of residential houses. The following information was extracted from the financial statements of the two companies for the year ended December 2013.

| | Samonje Ltd | Cobsa Ltd |
|--|-------------|------------|
| Ordinary share capital (sh. 5 per share) | 14,400,000 | 3,600,000 |
| 7% Preference share capital (sh. 20 per share) | 350,000 | 10,500 |
| Operating profit for the year | 12,000,000 | 12,000 |
| Market price per ordinary share | 42.75 | 135 |
| Retained profit for 2013 | 18,000,000 | 25,000,000 |

Required:

- i) Gearing ratio for each company. **(2 marks)**
- ii) Earnings per share for each company. **(2 marks)**
- iii) Price earnings ratio for each company. **(2 marks)**
- iv) Interpret the results in i, ii, and iii above. **(4 marks)**

b) What are the limitations of ratio analysis. (10 marks)

QUESTION 3

a) Find the present value of sh. 500,000 to be paid 6 years from now when the prevailing interest rate is 12% if the interest is compounded;

i) Annually (2 marks)

ii) Semi-annually (3 marks)

b) Explain **FIVE** importance of asset valuation. (10 marks)

c) Highlight the functions of Capital Markets Authority. (5 marks)

QUESTION 4

a) Identify the sources of short term finance. (8 marks)

b) The shares of two companies x and y have the following probability distribution.

| State of economy | Probability | Return on x | Return on y |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Boom | 0.3 | 22% | 3% |
| Steady state | 0.5 | 10% | 28% |
| Slump | 0.2 | 0% | -3% |

Required:

i) Compute the expected return for each company. (4 marks)

ii) Standard deviation of the returns for each company. (8 marks)

QUESTION 5

a) Kipevu Ltd has the following capital structure as at 31st March 2012

| | Sh. |
|---|------------|
| Ordinary share capital (400,000 shares) | 16,000,000 |
| 10% preference shares | 2,000,000 |
| 14% bond capital | 14,000,000 |

Additional information;

- i) The market price of each ordinary share as at 31st March 2012 was sh. 40
- ii) The firm paid dividends of sh. 4 for each ordinary share at 31st March 2012.
- iii) The annual growth rate in dividends is 7%
- iv) The corporation tax rate is 30%

Required:

Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC).

(12 marks)

b) Highlight the factors that influence dividend policy.

(8 marks)