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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

BFI 4303: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS SERIES: FEBRUARY 2015 TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer Question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.
- Do not write on the question paper

This paper consists of Two printed pages

QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

a) Briefly discuss the role of public financial management.

(8 marks)

b) Identify the main sources of government revenue.

(8 marks)

c) Bidii investments, an investor in books and stationery has an investment appraisal that involves an initial payment of £90,000 and then returns of £40,000, £50,000 and £60,000 respectively in 1, 2, and 3 years time. If money can be invested elsewhere at 13%, is this a worthwhile investment?

(6 marks)

d) Assume that a company has three subsidiaries A, B, C and that the company does not allocate corporate headquarter's costs or interest on longterm debt to the subsidiaries. Summary of the results are as follows:

Amount in £ '000'

	A	В	C	Н	Total
Operating income	140	200	320		660
Variable cost of 'H'				50	
Fixed cost of 'H'				70	
Interest on longterm debt				200	(320)
Income before taxes					340
Taxes					<u>120</u>
Income after taxes					<u>220</u>
Average book values					
Current assets	200	300	250	100	950
Fixed assets	400	700	1,250	200	2,550

Required:

i) Compute the return on investment.

(4 marks)

ii) Compute residual income assuming that the company requires a 10% interest on total assets of each subsidiary. (4 marks)

QUESTION 2

a) Evaluate various measures that can be used to measure performance of a decentralized company.

(10 marks)

b) Explain the main reasons for decentralization in provision of government services.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 3

a) Briefly discuss the role of central government.

(10 marks)

b) Identify the main disadvantages of imposed budgets.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 4

a) Discuss the main problems facing co-operatives in Kenya.

(10 marks)

b) Describe the main revenue forecasting methods.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 5

a) Briefly describe the need for budgetary controls in an organization.

(10 marks)

b) Discuss the main objectives of a devolved government.

(10 marks)