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TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

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SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:**

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

BFI 4303: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IN PUBLIC SECTOR

SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATION

**SERIES: NOVEMBER 2024**

**TIME: TWO HOURS**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 2024**

**Instructions to Candidates**

You should have the following for this examination

*-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID*

This paper consists of five questions. Attempt question one and any other two questions

**Do not write on the question paper.**

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QUESTION ONE

1(a) Assume that a company has 3 subsidiaries X, Y, and Z and that the company does not allocate corporate headquarters' costs or interest in long-term debt to the subsidiaries.

Summary of the results are as follows:

|                        | A   | B   | C   | H   | Total |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Operating income       | 220 | 340 | 490 |     | 1050  |
| Variable cost of H     |     |     |     | 80  |       |
| Fixed costs of H       |     |     |     | 120 |       |
| Interest on L.T debt   |     |     |     | 400 | (600) |
| Income before taxation |     |     |     |     | 420   |

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|-----------------------|-----|------|------|-----|-------------|
| Taxes                 |     |      |      |     | <u>150</u>  |
| Income after taxation |     |      |      |     | <u>270</u>  |
| Average book values   |     |      |      |     |             |
| Current assets        | 400 | 500  | 600  | 200 | 1700        |
| Fixed assets          | 600 | 1500 | 2400 | 300 | <u>4800</u> |
|                       |     |      |      |     | <u>6530</u> |

Required:

- (i) Compute the return on investment. (10Marks)
- (ii) Compute residual income assuming that the company requires a 10% interest on total assets of each subsidiary. (5Marks)

(b)(i) A firm has to choose between project A and B. project A involves on initial outlay of £19,000 and a return in 1 year's time of £2,000. Project B involves on initial outlay of £20,000 and a return in 1 year's time of £2,500. The interest rate is 6%. What would be the better investment. (10Marks)

(ii) Discuss the advantages of profitability index as an investment appraisal method (5 Marks)

## QUESTION TWO

2(a) Describe the challenges facing directors of public institutions in dealing with public resources (10marks)

(b) Differentiate between imposed and participative budgets (10marks)

## QUESTION THREE

3 (a) Discuss the advantages of benchmarking (10marks).

(b) Discuss the main components of the balanced scorecard as a measure of performance (10 Marks)

#### QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Decentralization by devolution is emphasized Constitution of Kenya. Discuss the benefits that has accrued to Kenya from a devolved system of government. (10 Marks)
- (b) Identify the responsibilities of local authorities in Kenya (10marks)

#### QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

5. Discuss factors considered when forecasting of future tax revenues.(20marks)