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B.Com. DEGREE (CBCSS) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2010

Third Semester

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

(Common for (1) Model I B.Com — Optional Stream Finance and Taxation, (2) Model II B.Com. — Optional Stream — Finance and Taxation and UGC Sponsored Programmes, (3) Computer Applications, (4) Travel and Tourism, (5) Taxation)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 25

Answers may be written either in English or in Malayalam.

Section A

This section consists of four bunches of four questions each and each bunch carries a weight of 1. Answer all questions.

- I. Choose the correct answer from the choices given:
 - 1 Requirements of working capital depends upon:
 - (a) Size of the business.
- (b) Credit policy adopted.
- (c) Operating cycle involved. (d) All the above.
- 2 Which of the tollowing is the short-term source of funds:
 - (a) Trade Credit.

(b) Share.

(c) Debenture.

- (d) None of these.
- 3 The technique of adjusting time value of money is:
 - (a) Period technique.
- (b) Fixed time technique.
- (c) Present value technique.
- (d) Future value technique.
- 4 Cost of capital of a firm is:
 - (a) Maximum rate of return expected by its investors.
 - (b) Minimum rate of return expected by its investors.
 - (c) Average rate of return expected by its investors.
 - (d) Moderate rate of return expected by its investors.
- II. Fill in the blanks:
 - 5 Long-term finances required to be invested for a period of above
 - 6 Capital gearing refers to the relationship between -

- 7 An under-capitalised company can pay rate of dividend.
- 8 Ploughing back of profits is an ——— source of capital.
- III. State whether the following statements are True or False:
 - 9 Trade credits are provided by banks.
 - 10 Business finance deals only with investment of money.
 - 11 Debenture holders are the creditors of the company.
 - 12 Public deposits are secured.
- IV. Match the following:-
 - 13 Bonus issue
 - 14 James Walter
 - 15 Working capital
 - 16 Cost of capital

- (a) Capital structure.
- (b) Circulating capital.
- (c) Minimum rate of return.
- (d) Dividend Theory.
- (e) Free reserves.
- (f) Source of finance.

 $(4 \times 1 = 4 \text{ weight})$

Section B

Answer any five questions.

Each question carries a weight of 1.

- 17 Define financial management.
- 18 What is gross working capital?
- 19 What is over capitalisation?
- 20 What is financial leverage?
- 21 Define optimum capital structure.
- 22 What is pre-emptive rights?
- 23 What is net income approach?
- 24 Define cost of capital.

 $(5 \times 1 = 5 \text{ weight})$

Section C

Answer any four questions.

Each question carries a weight of 2.

Answer should not exceed half a page each.

- 25 Define fixed capital. List the factors that influence the requirements of fixed capital.
- 26 Give advantages of preference shares as a source of finance.
- 27 What do you understand by capital gearing? What is its significance?
- 28 Explain briefly the essentials of a sound working capital management.
- 29 X Ltd. issues 50,000, 8 % debentures of Rs. 10 each at a premium of 10 %. The cost of flotation are 2 %. The tax rate applicable to the company is 60 %. Compute the cost of debt.

30 A company expects a net income of Rs. 80,000. It has Rs. 2,00,000, 8 % debentures. The equity capitalisation rate is 10 %. Calculate the value of the firm and overall capitalisation rate according to the Net Income Approach. (Ignore income tax).

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weight})$

Section D

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries a weight of 4.

Answer should not exceed four pages.

- 31 Describe the need and determinants of working capital in a business.
- 32 Explain the various factors which influence the dividend decision of a firm.
- 33 A proforma cost sheet of a company provides the following particulars:

Elements of Cost:

Raw materials ... 40 %

Labour ... 10 %

Overheads ... 30 %

The following further particulars are available:

- (a) Raw materials are to remain in stores on an average—6 weeks.
- (b) Processing time-4 weeks.
- (c) Finished goods are required to be in stock on an averge period—8 weeks.
- (d) Credit period allowed to debtors, on average 10 weeks.
- (e) Lag in payment of wages-2 weeks.
- (f) Credit period allowed by creditors-4 weeks.
- (g) Selling price-Rs.50 per unit.

You are required to prepare an estimate of working capital requirements adding 10 % margin for contingencies for a level of activity of 1,30,000 units of production.

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