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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

COURSE CODE : BCF 336

COURSE TITLE : FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

DATE: 8TH FEBRUARY, 2021 TIME: 2.00PM – 4.00PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question One in Section A and Any other TWO (2) Questions in Section B

TIME: 2 HOURS

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QUESTION ONE.

(a) What is the Capital Market Line? How does it differ from the Security Market Line?

(6 Marks).

(b) Assuming a risk free rate of 10 percent. The Market portfolio is expected to yield a return of 20 percent with a standard deviation of 8 percent.

Required.

Calculate the proportion in which an investor should combine the market portfolio and risk free security in order to earn an expected return of 16 percent. (6 Marks).

(c) Discuss the various risks facing financial institutions. (10 Marks).

(d) Consider a forward contract on a non dividend paying stock/share with the following characteristics:

- Maturity - 10 months
- Share Price - Shs 80
- Risk free rate of interest - 14 percent (continuously compounded).

Required.

(i) Calculate the forward rate. - (4 marks).

(ii) Calculate the forward rate if maturity is 11 months. - (4 Marks).

QUESTION TWO.

Write short notes on the following:

- (a) Limitations of CAPM. - (5 Marks).
- (b) Swap Contracts. - (5 Marks).
- (c) Limitations of forward contracts. - (5 Marks).
- (d) Implications of financial risk. - (5 Marks).

QUESTION THREE.

(a) The returns of two assets under possible states of nature are given below:

State of Nature	Probability	Return on Asset 1	Return on Asset 2
1	0.25	20%	-12%
2	0.35	15%	10%
3	0.15	30%	40%
4	0.25	12%	20%

Required.

Calculate the following:

- (i) Standard deviation - (6 Marks).
- (ii) The Covariance between the two assets. - (6 Marks).
- (iii) The coefficient of correlation between the two assets. - (6 Marks).
- (b) Which of the two assets is financially desirable and why? - (2 Marks).

QUESTION FOUR.

(a) Distinguish between Translation and Economic currency risk exposures.

(8 Marks).

- (b) Explain how Multi-National Companies deal with both of these risk exposures. **(12 Marks).**

QUESTION FIVE.

- (a) Explain the meaning of Capital Asset Pricing Model and also highlight its assumptions. **(8 Marks).**
- (b) XYZ Ltd has a beta of 1.10. The risk-free rate is 10 percent and the expected return on the market portfolio is 15 percent. The company presently pays a dividend of Shs 3 per share and investors expect it to experience a growth in dividends of 8 percent per annum for many years to come.

Required.

- (i) What is the stock's required rate of return according to CAPM? - **(4 Marks).**
- (ii) What is the stock's present market price per share, assuming this required return? **(4 Marks).**
- (iii) What would happen to the required return and to market price per share if the beta were 1.20 (assuming that everything else stays the same)? **(4 Marks).**