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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION)

Date: 4th December, 2023 Time: 2.30pm –4.30pm

KFI 200 - BUSINESS FINANCE

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER **QUESTION ONE** (**COMPULSORY**) AND **ANY OTHER TWO** QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Two neighbouring countries have chosen to organize their electricity supply industries in different ways. In country A, electricity supplies are provided by a nationalised industry. On the other hand in country B electricity supplies are provided by a number of private sector companies. Explain how the objectives of the nationalised industry in country A might differ from those of the private sector companies in country B. (6 marks)
- b) K is contemplating purchasing a 3 year bond worth 40,000/= carrying a nominal coupon rate of interest of 10%. K required rate of return is 6%. Calculate the amount pay now to purchase the bond if it matures at par.

(6 marks)

c) Highlight the drawbacks for using ratios in measuring the performance of the firm.

(6 Marks)

- d) Highlight the difference between profit maximization and wealth maximization objectives of the business. (6 Marks)
- e) Consider companies A and B below:

Given the information in the table below:

Company A B
(KES: '000') (KES: '000')
10% debt 1000 Equity - 1000
Total 1000 1000

The corporate tax rate is 35% and earnings before interest and tax amount to Ksh.400,000. If all earnings are paid out as dividends;

i) Compute the amount of tax payable by each firm. (4 Marks)

ii) Illustrate how tax is an allowable expense when a firm uses debt capital as a source of finance. (2 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) Discuss three functions of a financial manager in a contemporary corporate set-up.

(6 marks)

b) An extract from the finance statements of Nile Parch Ltd is shown below:

| | Shs. |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Issued share capital: | |
| 150,000 ordinary shares of Sh.10 each | 1,500,000 |
| fully paid | |
| 10% loan stock 1999 | 2,000,000 |
| Share premium | 1,500,000 |
| Revenue Reserve | 7,000,000 |
| Capital employed | 12,000,000 |

- The profits after 30% tax is Sh.600,000. However, interest charge has not been deducted.
- Ordinary dividend payout ratio is 40%.
- The current market value of ordinary shares Shs.36

Required;

| i) | Return on capital employed | (2 marks) |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| ii) | Earnings per share | (2 marks) |
| iii) | Price earnings ratio | (2 marks) |
| iv) | Book value per share | (2 marks) |
| v) | Market to book value per share | (2 marks) |

c) Discuss four action taken by shareholders which could be harmful to the government.

(4 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a) Examine reasons why venture capital market is not developed in Kenya.

(6 marks)

b) Dividend is expected to grow at an annual rate of 15% for the first 3 years then at a rate of 10% for the next 3 years after which it is expected to grow at a rate of 5% thereafter Required:

Calculate the value would you place on the stock if an 18% rate of return were required.

(6 marks)

c) The following Information was extracted from the books of Kent Limited.

| | Sh. | | Sh. |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------|
| Current liabilities | 300,000 | Land | 250,000 |
| Bank overdraft | 50,000 | Stock in trade | 100,000 |
| | <u>350,000</u> | | 350,000 |

Stock has a realisable value of Sh.80,000 and land Sh.300,000. This company is assumed to be have a share capital of 20,000 ordinary shares.

Required: Compute the value of its shares using Asset method.

(8 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Analyse the differences between internal and external sources of finance.

(6 Marks)

b) Demonstrate the features of a sound project appraisal technique.

(8 marks)

c) Discuss the advantages of leasing an asset compared to borrowing to buy an asset especially now when banks are imposing stringent measures on borrowers.

(6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

The following financial statements relate to the ABC Company:

| Assets | Shs. | Liabilities & Net worth | Shs. |
|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Cash | 28,500 | Trade creditors | 116,250 |
| Debtors | 270,000 | Notes payable (9%) | 54,000 |
| Stock | 649,500 | Other current liabilities | 100,500 |
| Total current assets | 948,800 | Long term debt (10%) | 300,000 |
| Net fixed assets | 285,750 | Net worth | 663,000 |
| | 1,233,750 | | 1,233,750 |

Income Statement for the year ended 31 March 2020

| | Shs. |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Sales | 1,972,500 |
| Less cost of sales | 1,368,000 |
| Gross profit | 604,500 |
| Selling and administration | 498,750 |
| expenses | 105,750 |
| Earning before interest and tax | 34,500 |
| Interest expense | 71,250 |
| | 28,500 |
| Estimated taxation (40%) | <u>42,750</u> |
| Earnings after interest and tax | |

Required

a) Calculate:

| i) | Inventory turnover ratio; | (3 marks) |
|------|------------------------------|-----------|
| ii) | Times interest earned ratio; | (3 marks) |
| iii) | Total assets turnover; | (3 marks) |
| iv) | Net profit margin | (3 marks) |

b) Discuss the action taken by shareholders which could be harmful to the bondholders and the solutions to the conflict. (8 Marks)