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BCOM 231: BUSINESS FINANCE

STREAMS:BCOM Y2S1 TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 4/12/2019 2.30 P.M – 4.30 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question one and any other two questions

QUESTION ONE

- (a) There are various finance functions that are of importance to an organization and can only be carried out by a finance manager. Discuss these functions . [12 marks]
- (b) A company is considering to invest in a project with the following profits.

Year 1 2 3 4 5

Profits 18,000 16,000 15,300 18,700 14,000

Additional information

- (i) The initial cost of the project is ksh 80,000
- (ii) It has a scrap value of ksh 24,000
- (iii) Depreciation is on straight line method
- (iv) The tax rate is 30%
- (v) The cost of capital is 10%

Required:

(i)	Calculate the cash flows of the project.	[5 marks]
(ii)	Accounting rate of return	[3 marks]
(iii)	Net present value	[4 marks]
(iv)	Profitability index	[1 marks]

(v) Internal rate of return

[2 marks]

(c) An investor wishes to withdraw ksh 5500 every year for 5 years from a fixed deposit account offering an interest rate of 12%. Determine the amount he should invest now.

[3 marks]

QUESTION TWO

(a) Gift investment company has the following capital structure

200,000 ordinary shares @ksh 15 par	3,000,000
50,000 8% preference shares of ksh 20 par	1,000,000
100,000 10% debentures @ ksh 25	2,500,000
8% long term loan	500,000
	7,000,000
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Additional information

The current market value of ordinary shares is ksh 20 and the firm expects to pay divided of ksh 4 which will grow at 10% per annum.

The preference shares are now selling at ksh 25 and will mature in 2 years.

The debenture is currently selling at ksh 20.

Tax rate is 30%

Required:

(i) Calculate the individual cost of capital.

[8 marks]

(ii) Calculate the weighted average cost of capital.

[4 marks]

- (b) Conflict may arise in an organization between shareholders and auditors.
 - (i) Discuss causes of conflict in an organization between shareholders and auditors.

[5 marks]

(ii) Highlight the solutions for this conflict.

[3 marks]

OUESTION THREE

(a) An investor is considering to invest in a bond that has a par value ksh 2000 with a maturity of 4 years and a coupon rate of 12% p.a. The bond is currently selling in the market at ksh 1800. The tax rate is 30% and cost of capital is 15%

Required:

(i) Calculate the yield to maturity [3 marks]

(ii) Calculate the theoretical value of the bond. [3 marks]

(iii) Determine if the bond is underpriced or overpriced and advise the investor. [2 marks]

(b) Explain the following sources of finance

Debenture

Bill of exchange

Mortgage [6 marks]

(c) Explain the non financial goals of a firm. [6 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

(a) Highlight the limitations for the use of ratios. [6 marks]

(b) Describe reasons for valuation of securities. [5 marks]

(c) Gifted company presented the following information it its statements.

	Ksh
Sales	5,000,000
Cost of sales	(1,500,000)
Gross profit	3,500,000
Less :expenses	(500,000)
Net profit	3,000,000
Less tax (50%)	(1,500,000)
Profits after tax	1,500,000
Less dividend	(800,000)
Retained earnings	700,000

The total outstanding shares is 200,000. The market price for each share is ksh 50.

Required: Calculate

(i) Net profit margin and markup	[3 marks]
(ii) Gross profit markup	[2 marks]
(iii)Dividend per share	[2 marks]
(iv)Earnings per share	[2 marks]

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