K20P 1014

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(2014 Admission Onwards)
ECONOMICS/DEV. ECONOMICS
ECO3C13: Financial Economics

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

PART – A

Answer all questions. Each question carries 1/2 mark :

- Du-Pont Analysis deals with
 - a) Analysis of Profit

- b) Analysis of Current Assets
- c) Analysis of Fixed Assets
- d) Capital Budgeting
- 2. Which one of the following is not a function of the financial market?
 - a) Mobilization of savings
- b) Price determination of securities
- c) Floating of companies
- d) Lowering transaction cost

- 3. M. Narasimham headed
 - a) The working group constituted by the Government of India in July 1975 for the establishment of Regional Rural Banks
 - b) The committee on the financial system 1991
 - c) The committee on Banking Sector Reforms 1997
 - d) All of the above
- 4. Which of the following gives the option holder a right to buy an underlying asset at an exercise price in future ?
 - a) Call option

b) Put option

c) Call and put option

d) None of these

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- 5. Benchmark portfolio risk is defined as
 - a) The return difference between the portfolio and the benchmark
 - b) The variance of the return of the benchmark portfolio
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 - d) The variance of the return of the actively-managed portfolio
- 6. An aggressive share would have a Beta
 - a) Equal to zero

b) Less than zero

c) Greater than one

- d) Equal to one
- 7. How is the P/E ratio calculated?
 - a) Market value per share/earnings per share
 - b) Earnings per share/market capitalization
 - c) Market value/quick ratio
 - d) None of these
- 8. According to CAPM, overpriced shares have
 - a) Zero betas

- b) Negative alphas
- c) Zero alphas
- d) Positive alphas

(8x1/2=4)

PART - B

(Very short answers)

Answer any eight questions. Each question carries 2 marks. No answer should exceed one page :

- 9. P/E ratio
- 10. Hedging
- 11. NBFI
- Primary and secondary markets
- 13. Beta value
- 14. Futures and swaps
- 15. Put option



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- 16. Portfolio revision
- 17. Strike price
- 18. Debt-equity ratio
- 19. Preference shares.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

PART - C

(Short answers)

Answer any four questions. Each question carries 5 marks. No answer should exceed two and a half pages :

- 20. Elucidate the structure of the Indian financial system.
- 21. Distinguish between active and passive investment management.
- 22. Discuss the relationship between risk and return.
- 23. Analyse the significance of Du-Pont analysis.
- 24. What are the elements of a financial statement?
- 25. Discuss the procedure for the valuation of bond and stocks.

 $(4 \times 5 = 20)$

PART - D

(Long essays)

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 10 marks. No answer should exceed six pages :

- 26. Give a brief sketch on the financial sector reforms of India since 1991.
- 27. Critically evaluate the efficacy of the Markowitz model in portfolio management.
- 28. Discuss the significance of the Capital Asset Pricing Model in the evaluation and pricing of securities.
- 29. Discuss the role of derivatives in Indian forward markets.

 $(2 \times 10 = 20)$