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Part 2 - Structured Question Paper (1 Hour)

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- This paper has two (2) parts, Part 1 and Part 2.
- The duration of this part (Part 2) is **1 Hour**.
- The medium of instructions and questions is English. Students should answer in the medium of English language only.
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1. Consider the following costs and benefits for the project ABC given below and fill in the blank boxes given.

[2 x 25 = 50 marks]

Discount Rate (Costs)	12%	Discount Rate (Benefits)			8%	
Assume the project is completed in Year zero (0)						
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	0	1	2	3	Total	
Costs (C)	240,000	50,000	50,000	60,000		
Discount Factor	1	0.89	0.79	0.71		
Discount Costs	240,000	44,500	39,500	42,600	366,600	
Benefits	0	100,000	350,000	400,000		
Discount Factor	1	0.93	0.86	0.79		
Discount Benefits (DB)	0	93,000	301,000	316,000	710,000	
DB - C	(240,000)	48,500	261,500	273,400	343400	
Cumulative Benefits – Costs	(240,000)	(191,500)	70,000	343,400	†	
Return on Investment	93.7%				NPV	

2.

a) Consider the following statements and write T if the statement is true or F if the statement is false in the space provided.

[2 x 15 = 30 marks]

Planned value in earned value management is the initial value invested by the investor	F
The actual cost in earned value management is the realized cost incurred for the work performed on an activity	Т
Earned value in earned value management is the measure of work performed expressed in terms of the budget authorized for that work	Т
Cost variance in earned value management is the earned value minus the planned value	F
Schedule variance in earned value management is the earned value minus the actual cost	F
The cost performance index in earned value management is the ratio of earned value to planned value	F
If a project is halfway completed, its schedule performance index is 110%, and its cost performance index is 95%, the project is considered to be ahead of schedule	Т
If a project is halfway completed, its schedule performance index is 110%, and its cost performance index is 95%, the project is considered to be over budget	Т
If a cost estimate for a building is made based on its location, purpose, number of square feet, and other characteristics, it is considered a parametric cost estimate	Т
Risk utility is the amount of satisfaction received from a potential payoff	Т
Contingency plans are predefined actions that the project team will take if an identified risk event occurs.	Т
Management reserves are the fund held for planned risks	F
Whether an organization can afford to undertake a project is called the technology risk	F
Contingency reserve and contingency allowance are two types of funds allocated in risk management	F
Brainstorming is where a manager provides the idea for the group to work with	F

- b) What are three (03) types of individuals when associated with risk-utility and potential payoff? [3 \times 2 = 06 marks]
 - 1. Risk Averse
 - 2. Risk Neutral
 - 3. Risk Seeking

5 + 4 + 5 = 14

c) Draw the risk-utility versus the potential payoff graph for the three types of individuals mentioned in part (b) above

[14 marks]

Risk-Averse Risk-Neutral Risk-Seeking

utility utility

potential payoff potential payoff potential payoff