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Course Code: MBF839

Course Title: Quantitative Techniques for Banking and Finance

Credit unit: 3

Time Allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes.

Instructions:

1. Attempt Question 1 and any other three (3) Questions.

2. Question 1 is compulsory and carries 25 marks while the other 3 Questions carry 15 marks each.

3. Show all your calculations for appropriate marks.

Question

1a. Define variation and discuss two kinds of variation that are most common. **5marks**

1b. A firm is faced with two alternative investment plans; Plan 1 will cost #750 and plan 2 #950. Both plans involve the purchase of equipment the life of which is four years, and the current rate of return on capital is expected to be 20%. The estimated cash flows resulting from the projects are:

Years	1	2	3	4
Plan 1	#300	#400	#300	#200
Plan 2	#500	#400	#300	#300

Compute the net present value of these expected returns assuming a rate of return on capital of 20% and state your preferred project based on your computation. **20marks**

Question

2a. Define Arithmetic and Geometric progression. **8marks**

2b. Suppose #1,000 is invested at 7% per annum compound interest. Find the value of the investment at the end of the tenth year. **7marks**

Question

- **3a.** Define Capital budgeting **5marks**
- **3b.** An equipment costing #1,000 has an expected life of 5years. It is estimated that the cash flow resulting from the use of the machine will be #400 a year. The rate of return expected from capital of this type is 15%. Is the investment worthwhile? **10marks**

Question

- **4a.** Explain the following;
- i. Bond with maturity 3marks
- ii. Pure Discount Bonds 3marks
- iii. Perpetual Bonds 3marks
- **4b.** Describe the objective functions and the constraints of L.P. **6marks**

Question

- **5a.** Differentiate the four costs associated with inventory. **5marks**
- **5b.** The following data relate to a particular stock item

Normal Usage 110 per day

Minimum Usage 50 per day

Maximum Usage 140 per day

Lead time 25-20 days

EOQ 5000

Using this data, calculate the various control levels. **10marks**

- **6a.** Discuss five advantages of quantitative skills for managers. **7marks**
- **6b.** What are the four (4) advantages and disadvantages of the periodic review system of inventory control. **1mark each @ each point = 8marks**