

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14/16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OCTOBER 2013 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: BHM 713

CREDIT UNIT: 2

COURSE TITLE: CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL DECISIONS

TIME ALLOWED: 2 hrs

Instructions: 1. Attempt question Number one (1) and any other two (2) questions.

2. Question number 1 carries 30 marks, while the other questions carry 20 marks each

3. Present all your points in coherent and orderly manner

QUESTION 1

Modern Tech Services Ltd is considering two alternative projects for a business expansion programme in the Northern part of the country. The projects have the following naira cash flow profiles according to the data supplied by the company's accountant:

Yea	Project I	Project II
$ \mathbf{r} $	(N)	(N)
0	-1 Million	-3 Million
1	-2 Million	0.20 Million
2	-95 Million	-50 Million
3	0.85 Million	0.65 Million
4	0.78 Million	0.75 Million
5	0.62 Million	0.80 Million
6	0.40 Million	1.90 Million
7	0.10 Million	0.20 Million

Required:

a. Calculate the payback period for each project

8 marks

- b. Based on payback periods, advice which of the two projects should be chosen **1 mark**
- c. State 3 advantages and 2 disadvantages of the payback period criterion on investment appraisal

5 marks

- **1b)** Find the accumulated amount of the following:
 - N250, 000 after a period of 3 years at J = 6% and M = 2
 4 marks
 - N325, 000 at the end of 6 years and 3 months at J4 = 0.104 marks
 - N275, 000 after the period of 31/2 years at J4 = 8%
 - 4 marks
 - N250, 000 after the period of 10 years at 6% converted quarterly
 4 marks

QUESTION 2

List and explain properly the basis for classifying investments **20 marks**

QUESTION 3

- **3a)** List and explain the further classifications of investments.
- 10 marks
- **3b)** Decisions could be loosely grouped into five, discuss the **10 marks**

QUESTION 4

- **4a)** What is NPV and what are the 3 decision rules? **5 marks**
- **4b)** Ayodele Engineering Co. is trying to decide which type of machine tool to buy, of the two types available. Type A costs N10,000,000 and the net annual income from the first three years of its life will N3 , 000,000, N4,000,000 and N5,000,000 respectively. At the end of this period, it will be worthless except for scrap value of N1,000,000.

To buy a type A tool, the company would need to borrow from a Finance Group at 9%. Type B will last for three years too, but will give a constant net annual cash flow if N3,000,000 it costs N6,000,000 but credit can be obtained from its manufacturer at 6% interest. It has no ultimate scrap value.

Calculate the NPV for both projects, which of the machines should the company go for?

9 marks

4c) Femi Nig. Ltd is proposing to purchase a new machine for N20, 000,000 which will have a life of 6 years. The cash inflows estimated to be generated by the machine are as follows: Year 1 = N12,400,000; Year 2 = N6,000,000; Year 3 = N7,100,000; Year 4 = N2,203,000 and Year 5 = N2,774,000 and removed in year 6 an estimated net cash outflow of N1,477,000.

The company's cost of capital is 15%. Should investment be proceeded with?

6 marks

QUESTION 5

- 5a) What is inflation? (2 marks)
- 5b) Explain synchronised and differential Inflation (4 Marks)
- 5c) list 9 methods of Incorporating uncertainty and risk when appraising projects? **(9 Marks)**
- 5d) what is the main distinction between dependent and independent investment? (2 marks)