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FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT

M.B.A. III-Semester Examination, December 2015

Subject: Investment Management

Course No : 3.4.1 (F)

(Elective – I : Finance)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer ALL the questions.

Part – A (10x2=20 Marks) (Short Answer Type)

- 1 Write short notes on the following.
 - (a) Investment Decision Process
 - (b) Co-efficient of variation
 - (c) Bond convexity
 - (d) AYTM and YTC
 - (e) CAPM
 - (f) Price earning multiplier
 - (g) Security Market Line
 - (h) Efficient frontier
 - (i) Net Asset Value
 - (i) Features of mutual funds

Part - B (5x12=60 Marks) (Essay Answer Type)

2 (a) What are the various forms of investment alternatives? Give a detailed account of any five.

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- (b) What are the three forms of market efficiency? State its implication.
- 3 (a) A company had issued bonds with a face value of Rs.1000, coupon of 12% payable semi-annually and time to maturity of 8 years. The market rate of interest is 14%. Find the duration of the bond two years after it is issued.

OR

- (b) Calculate the duration for bond 'A' and bond 'B' with 7% and 8% coupons having a maturity period of 4 years. The face value of the bonds are Rs.1000/- and both the bonds are currently yielding 6%. Which one is advisable and why?
- 4 (a) "Stock market indices are the barometers of the stock market". Discuss.

OR

(b) Pramod Ltd. operates a large readymade garment system in the textile industry. The current market price of the stock is Rs.40/- and is expected to be Rs.55/- after 3 years. The dividend per share would be Rs.2/- for the next 3 years. Calculate the rate of return of Pramod Ltd's stock.



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5 (a) Explain the Sharpe Index model. How does it differ from the Markowitz model?

OR

(b) Ansari got the following information regarding his favourite stocks. He wants to invest in all the four stocks equally.

Stocks	α	β	\dagger_{ei}^2	
1	1.27	1.50	50	
2	1.02	1.05	40	
3	2.48	1.37	20	
4	0.47	0.86	36	

The market variance is 25 and expected return is 20%.

- (i) What would be Ansari's portfolio return and risk.
- (ii) Can you advise him regarding the amount to be allocated on each security so as to enhance his earnings?
- 6 (a) Explain about the problems and prospects of Indian mutual fund industry. State and explain how they are less risky than investments in stocks.

OR

(b) A mutual fund's returns over the best six years along with the risk-free returns and market returns are given below:

Years	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Risk-free Returns	7%	11%	9%	8%	10%	9%
Market Returns	12%	7%	-2%	8%	14%	16%
M.F. Returns	14%	11%	8%	13%	17%	15%

You are required to find the Jensen's alpha and comment on the performance of the fund.



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Max. Marks: 80

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Subject: Compensation Management

Course No : 3.5.1 (HRM) Elective – I (HRM)

Time: 3 Hours

Note: Answer ALL the questions.

Part – A (10x2=20 Marks) (Short Answer Type)

- 1 Write short notes on the following.
 - (a) Total Reward System
 - (b) 3-P Compensation Concept
 - (c) Modern pay
 - (d) Longevity pay
 - (e) Job Evaluation
 - (f) External Market pay rates
 - (g) Employee services
 - (h) Legally required benefits
 - (i) Compensating executives
 - (j) Contingent employees

Part – B (5x12=60 Marks) (Essay Answer Type)

2 (a) Define Compensation. Explain the concepts of compensation.

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- (b) Explain the non-financial compensation system in India.
- 3 (a) Explain the procedure for linking merit pay with competitive strategy.

OR

- (b) Describe the important aspects in traditional pay system.
- 4 (a) Discuss the process of building market competitive compensation system.

OR

- (b) Explain the process of Designing pay for knowledge program.
- 5 (a) Describe the process of funding benefits through VEBA approach.

OR

- (b) Explain the procedure of Designing and planning benefit program.
- 6 (a) Write about the various executive compensation packages.

OR

(b) Discuss about compensations of expatriates and Repatriates.



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M.B.A. III-Semester Examination, December 2015

Subject: Product and Brand Management

Course No : 3.6.1.(M)

Elective I : (Marketing)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer ALL the questions.

Part – A (10x2=20 Marks) (Short Answer Type)

- 1 Write short notes on the following.
 - (a) Product Manager
 - (b) Idea generation
 - (c) Core product
 - (d) Product failure
 - (e) Trade Name vs. Brand name
 - (f) Brand Extension
 - (g) Family Brand
 - (h) Product Innovation
 - (i) Pre-testing
 - (i) Brand Loyalty

Part – B (5x12=60 Marks) (Essay Answer Type)

2 (a) Describe product management process with suitable examples.

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- (b) Explain the product responsibility strategy in respect of 'COMPLAN' product in India.
- 3 (a) Describe the relevance of BCG matrix with regard to competitive strategy for products.

OR

- (b) Describe the various stages involved in New product development with examples.
- 4 (a) Explain the various sources of idea generation.

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- (b) Describe: (i) Product maps (ii) Market maps and joint space maps
- 5 (a) Explain the terms PREFMAPS and flow charts and concepts with appropriate examples.

OR

- (b) Describe the product trial and repeat models with examples.
- 6 (a) Explain the six guiding principles of product launching.

OR

(b) Analyse the relevance of branding in product management.
