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UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS 2013 /2014 ACADEMIC YEAR 1ST YEAR 1ST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS (MAIN EXAMINATION)

FOR THE MASTER DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

COURSE CODE: MBA 830

COURSE TITLE: FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND MARKETS

DATE: APRIL 2014 **TIME:**

Answer question ONE (Compulsory) and any other THREE.

QUESTION ONE

- **a)** You have an investment opportunity which you consider a must undertake. You are now considering two sources of finance:
- (i) Sh. 1,000,000 repayable in sh. 126,000 per year for 25 years with a grace period of two years.
- (ii) Sh. 1,000,000 repayable in 126,000 per year for 25 years with no grace period

Required:

- (i) Determine the implicit rate of interest in each case. (6mks)
- (ii) Which loan is cheaper? (1mk)
- **b)** Briefly explain six variables that determine interest rates in an economy. (12mks)

QUESTION TWO

a) You are the manager of Biashara bank. The average duration of the bank's assets are sh.100 billion 4 year, and sh. 90 billion 6 years.

Required

- (i) Conduct a duration analysis for the bank and show what will happen to the net worth of the bank if the interest rate rises by 2%. (3mks)
- (ii) What action would you take to reduce the banks interest rate risk? (3mks)
- (b) The statement of financial position of your bank showed the following assets and liabilities as at the end 2013 financial year;

Assets	Sh. Billion
Fixed rate	15
Rate sensitive	25
Liabilities	
Fixed rate	25
Rate sensitive	20

Required

- (i) Conduct a gap analysis for the bank and show what will happen to the bank profits if interest rates rise by 5%. (4mks)
- (ii) What actions can you take to reduce the banks interest rate exposure. (3mks)

(c) With reference to credit loan contract explain the concept of information asymmetry. Briefly explain the problems that may be caused by information asymmetry and five different ways in which a commercial bank may deal with it. (12mks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Briefly explain the following concepts as applied in banking portfolio risk protection:
- (i) Immunization
- (ii) Full immunization
- (iii) Dedication

(12mks)

b) The dividends of a common stock are expected to be sh. 100 for each of the 5 years and sh. 200 for each of the following 5 years. The dividends are expected to grow at a fixed rate of 2% per annum thereafter. Assume an annual effective interest rate of 6%.

Required

Calculate the price of the stock using dividend discount model.

(12mks)

(Total Marks 24)

QUESTION FOUR

Read the Short Article attached and answer the questions below.

- a) Briefly explain the stock market and economic events of 1928-1929 and October 1929.
 (7mks)
- b) According to the passage explain the contribution of 'adverse selection' and 'moral hazard' to the stock market and economic events. (6mks)
- c) How did the loss of one third of banks affect financial intermediation, adverse selection and moral hazard? (8mks)
- d) In the writer's own wards 'a short-circuit' occurred in the economy between 1930 and 1933. (5mks)
- e) If current knowledge in economic thinking was available what actions? Could be taken by whom? To reverse the economic fortunes?

(Total Marks 32)