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EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

BUSIA LEARNING CENTRE

COURSE CODE: MBA 811

COURSE TITLE: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

EXAM VENUE: STREAM: MBA

DATE: EXAM SESSION:

TIME: 3.00 HOURS

Instructions:

Answer any four (4) Questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

Ouestion One

- a) Discuss how "Agency Theory" explains the relationship between the management and shareholders of a firm. (5 marks)
- b) Examine the consistency between wealth maximization as a goal of the corporate firm with Agency Theory. (5 marks)
- c) Explain key issues that inform financing decisions in a corporate firm. (5 marks)

Question Two

As a consultant, Tesia super market has hired you to help them diagnose and cure problems that the company has had in maintaining adequate liquidity. Upon performing liquidity and short-term activity analyses you arrived at the ratios below:

Ratio	Tesia	Industry norm

Current ratio	4.5	4.0
Quick ratio	2.0	3.1
Inventory turnover	6.0	10.4
Average collection period	73 days	52 days
Average payment period	31 days	40 days

a) Give your recommendations relative to amount and handling of the following:

i. Inventory
 ii. Accounts receivable
 iii. Accounts payable
 (3 marks)
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b) Why might your recommendations fail to be effective in improving Tesia's liquidity position? (6 marks)

Question Three.

- a) Long Term Debt Finance is normally acquired at varying cost depending on the type of debt. Clearly explain the meaning of Cost of capital highlighting **four** ways in which cost of capital is important in financing strategy. (5 marks)
- b) ABC Ltd. has the following capital structure.

 Ksh.

 Equity (expected dividend 12%)
 10, 000,000

 10% preference
 5, 000,000

 8% loan
 15, 000,000

Required:

Calculate the weighted average cost of capital, assuming 50% as the rate of incometax, before and after tax. (10 marks)

Ouestion Four.

- a) Discuss five functions performed by the Global financial system and the financial markets. (10 marks)
- b) Explain five causes of corporate "sickness" linked to managerial deficiencies in the finance function. (10 marks)

Question Five

- a) Explain the greatest challenges financial managers face in real world application of capital budgeting.
 (5marks)
- b) White rose laundry company is considering acquisition of a new washing machine. The initial investment is estimated at Ksh. 1.25 million, and the machine will have a five year life with no salvage value. Using 6% discount rate, determine the Net Present Value of the machine given its expected operating cash inflows shown in the table below. Comment on the viability of this project. (10 marks)

Year	Cash inflows (Ksh.)
1	400 000
2	375 000
3	300 000
4	350 000
5	200 000

Question Six

Corporate performance measurement has gained immense attention as a critical aspect of strategic financial management.

a) Examine the rationale for business performance measurement. (5 marks)

b) Discuss pros and cons of

Non-financial measures (5 marks) i. Balanced scorecard approach ii.

(5 marks)