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M.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2006

Third Semester

BA 1727 — SECURITY ANALYSIS AND PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

(Regulation 2005)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer ALL questions.

PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

1. Define an investment.
2. What is a security analysis?
3. What is the meaning of company analysis?
4. Distinguish between market value and book value of shares.
5. How is technical analysis different from fundamental analysis in investment management?
6. How charts are interpreted in technical analysis?
7. Explain the term portfolio.
8. What is arbitrage pricing theory?
9. Define debt market.
10. State the criteria for evaluation of portfolio.

PART B — (5 × 16 = 80 marks)

11. (a) Describe the wide array of investment avenues.

Or

- (b) What are the qualities required for successful investing?
12. (a) When you 'buy' or sell shares (or debentures) of a company, what points should you bear in mind?

Or

- (b) Describe the key initiatives taken by SEBI.

13. (a) Describe two commonly used ways of decomposing ROE into its underlying determinants.

Or

- (b) The financials of GSM Ltd ; are given below :

Financials of GSM Ltd ;

	(Rs. in crores)				
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Net sales	1020	1090	1210	1350	1520
Cost of goods sold	734	807	883	959	1095
Gross profit	286	283	327	391	425
Operating expenses	72	74	85	105	120
Operating profit	214	209	242	286	305
Non-operating surplus/deficit	11	14	18	-12	-5
PBIT	225	223	260	274	300
Interest	40	45	60	66	55
Profit before tax	185	178	200	208	245
Tax	35	38	40	52	50
Profit after tax	150	140	160	156	195
Dividends	60	60	65	65	70
Retained earnings	90	80	95	91	125
Equity share capital (Rs. 10 par)	200	200	200	250*	250
Reserves and surplus	400	480	575	616	741
Share holders' funds	600	680	775	866	991
Loan funds	400	450	550	600	615
Capital employed	1000	1130	1325	1466	1606
Net fixed assets	600	650	710	850	900
Investments	50	55	60	70	80
Net current assets	350	425	555	546	626
Total assets	1000	1130	1325	1466	1606
Market price per share (end of year)	60	55	65	57	75

*bonus shares were issued in the ratio of 1 : 4.

Required :

- (i) Calculate the following for the last five years : Return on equity ; Book value per share ; EPS ; Bonus adjustment factor ; Adjusted EPS ; PE ratio (prospective) : PE ratio (restrospective) ; Retention ratio.
- (ii) Calculate the CAGR of sales, CAGR of EPS, and volatility of ROE.

(iii) Estimate the EPS for the next year (2006) using the following assumptions.

(1) net sales will increase by 12 % (2) cost of goods sold will increase by 11% (3) operating expenses will increase by 10% (4) there will be nil non-operating surplus or deficit (5) interest will decrease by 2% (6) effective tax rate will increase by 2%.

14. (a) Explain the Dow theory.

Or

(b) Explain the following technical indicators :

(i) new highs and lows (ii) volume, (iii) short interest ratio and (iv) put/call ratio.

15. (a) Spell out the key steps involved in portfolio management.

Or

(b) The following information is available :

	Stock A	Stock B
Expected return	16%	12%
Standard deviation	15%	8%
Coefficient of correlation	0.60	

(i) What is the covariance between stocks of A and B?

(ii) What is the expected return and risk of a portfolio in which A and B have weights of 0.6 and 0.4.