THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

Department Of Civil Engineering

Postgraduate Diploma in Technology - Construction Management - Level 7

CEM7103 -Financial Management and Taxation in the Construction Industry

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FINAL EXAMINATION - 2007

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Date: 2008 - 04 - 25 (Friday)

Time: 0930 - 1230 hrs

Answer four (04) questions with at least one (01) question from section B.

Section A: Financial Management

Q1.

- a.) Explain a typical accounting control system emphasizing on the use of different kind of accounts in a business.
- b.) Explain the purpose of preparing a Trial Balance. Also explain the classes of errors that are not revealed by a Trial Balance.
- c.) Explain the importance of working capital management.
- d.) Write a short descriptive note on 'cash book'.
- e.) Explain the purposes served by a Balance sheet.

(Marks 25)

Q2..

a.) Explain the purpose of 'Accounting'.

- b.) Explain the purpose of preparing a Bank reconciliation statement.
- c.) "Ratio analysis benefits a firm". Explain this statement.
- d.) Describe what is understood by capital gearing.
- e.)Describe the purposes of a system of costing.

(Marks 25)

Q3. The following Trial balances have been extracted from the books of Nuwan plc, as at 31st March 2007.

| | Dr | Cr |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Rs. | Rs. |
| Sales | | 690,390 |
| Purchases | 411,750 | |
| Carriage | 25,720 | |
| Drawings | 39,000 | |
| Rent, rates and insurance | 33,110 | - |
| Printing and stationary | 15,005 | |
| Advertising | 6,650 | |
| Salaries and wages | 132,100 | |
| Bad debts | 4,385 | |
| Provision for doubtful debts | | 650 |
| Debtors | 60,600 | |
| Creditors | | 32,355 |
| Cash in hand | 885 | |
| Cash at bank | 5,010 | |
| Stock as at 1st April 2006 | 59,635 | |
| Equipment - cost | 290,000 | |
| Equipment - depreciation | : | 95,000 |
| Capital | | 265,455 |
| | <u>1,083,850</u> | <u>1,083,850</u> |

The following additional information as at 31st March 2007 is available:

i.) Rent is accrued by Rs.1, 050.

ii) Rates have been prepaid by Rs.4, 400.

iii.) Rs.11, 055 of carriage represent carriage inwards on purchases.

- iv.) Equipment is to be depreciated at 15% p.a. using the straight-line method.
- v.) The provision for bad and doubtful debts is to be increased by Rs.200.

vi.) Stock at the close of business has been valued at Rs.67, 755.

a.) Prepare the Trading and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st March 2007.

(Marks 12)

b.) Prepare the Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2007.

(Marks 08)

c.) Calculate the following ratios stating the formulae used:

Acid test or quick ratio;

Rate of stock turnover

(Marks 05)

Q4.

A. Explain following two concepts highlighting their importance for a business organization.

i.) Marginal costing

ii.) Breakeven analysis

(Marks 05)

В.

A recent market survey conducted by a heavy machinery-hiring firm has revealed that there is substantial market potential for hiring of tippers. A firm is keen to invest on a fleet of tippers to take advantage of the situation. Prior to the investment it likes to evaluate the economic feasibility of the project. The cost breakdown prepared by its costing engineer is as given below;

Diesel oils and greases

Rs. 10 per km

Tires and repairs

Rs. 9 per km Rs. 7 per km

Wages

Rs. 450,000 per year

Depreciation Insurance

Rs. 150,000 per year

- a.) The firm has decided to rent a tipper for Rs. 50 per kilometer. How many kilometers does each tipper have to run before 'break-even'? (Marks 08)
- b.) If the firm invests Rs. 3,500,000 on a tipper how many kilometers does each tipper have to run at Rs.50 per kilometer in order to earn 10% return on investment? (Marks 06)
- c.) The engineer estimates that on average demand for a tipper would increase to 35,000 km next year. Assuming other conditions remain the same what rate should he recommend for the firm to quote next year?

i) To break even

ii) To earn 10% return on investment

(Marks 06)

Section B: Taxation

Q5.

Explain the following terms;

- a.) Resident Individuals & Non Resident Individuals.
- b.) Resident Companies & Non Resident Companies.
- c.) Year of Assessment & Income Tax Return.

d.) Tax Holidays & Tax Relief.

e.) Value Added Tax & Exempted Supplies.

(Marks 25)

Q6

- a.) On what grounds an Assessment is issued by the Assessor.
- b.) How to make a valid appeal against the Assessment.
- c.) How to recover the Default Taxes by the Department.

(Marks 25)

