



M.A.DEGREE EXAMINATION - ECONOMICS

FOURTHSEMESTER - APRIL 2018

EC 4813- PORTFOLIO THEORY AND INVESTMENT ANALYSIS

Date: 27-04-2018 Dept. No. Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 09:00-12:00

PART A

Answer any **FIVE** Questions from the following not exceeding 75 words:[5x4=20marks]

- 1. Define ex-ante Return and Risk.
- 2. State the Prospect theory using a suitable diagram.
- 3. Write a note on H model of equity evaluation.
- 4. State the regulatory functions of SEBI in stock trading.
- 5. Differentiate between Forwards and Futures Contract.
- 6. Write a note on "Value –at Risk".
- 7. Define Put- Call Parity using a suitable diagram.

PART B

Answer any FOUR Questions from the following not exceeding 300 words: [4x10=40marks]

8. The rates of return on stock A [R(A)] and market portfolio [R(M)] are given below:

Period	R(A) (%)	R(MP) (%)	Period	R(A) (%)	R(M) (%)
1	10	12	9	-9	1
2	15	14	10	14	12
3	18	13	11	15	-11
4	14	10	12	14	16
5	16	9	13	6	8
6	16	13	14	7	7
7	18	14	15	-8	10
8	4	7	-	-	-

- a. What is the beta for stock A?
- b. What is the characteristic line for stock A?
- 9. 'The weak form version of the efficient market hypothesis implies that current and lagged prices are unrelated'. Discuss.
- 10. Comment on the performance of Mutual funds in India.
- 11. Discuss the various approaches to equity evaluation techniques.
- 12. Examine in detail the pricing of bonds and the calculation of Yield using a suitable illustration.

- 13. Compare and contrast Binomial Option pricing model with Black Scholes option pricing model.
- 14. Explain Markowitz' Diversification effect.

PART C

Answer any **TWO** Questions from the following not exceeding 1200 words:[2x20=40marks]

- 15. Elaborate the various dimensions of the Portfolio Management Framework.
- 16. State the assumptions of the Capital Asset Pricing Model and establish the expected equilibrium relationship using suitable derivations and diagrams.
- 17. Examine in detail the various investment avenues accessible to investors in the Indian financial economy.
- 18. Comment on the performance of Indian Money Market highlighting its pros and cons.

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