LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

M.A.DEGREE EXAMINATION - ECONOMICS

FOURTH SEMESTER - APRIL 2019

6/17PEC4MC01- PORTFOLIO THEORY AND INVESTMENT ANALYSIS

Date: 01-04-2019 Dept. No. Max.: 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

PART - A

Answer any FIVE questions in about 75 words each $(5 \times 4 = 20 \text{ marks})$

- 1. State the functions of Financial Markets.
- 2. What are the various types of Financial Futures?
- 3. Distinguish between a front-end local fund and a back-end local fund.
- 4. What is a Stock Split? Give an example.
- 5. Write a short note on 'Options'.
- 6. What is NOPAT?
- 7. Comment on Tobin's q.

PART - B

Answer any FOUR questions in about 300 words each $(4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 8. Distinguish between an Investor and a Speculator.
- 9. Explain the various money market instruments.
- 10. The current dividend on an equity share of Pioneer Technology is Rs.3.00. Pioneer is expected to enjoy an above-normal growth rate of 40 per cent for 5 years. Thereafter the growth rate will fall and stabilize at 12 per cent. Equity investors require a return of 15 per cent from Pioneer's stock. What is the intrinsic value of the equity share of Pioneer?
- 11. Discuss the three levels of market efficiency.
- 12. The share of Omega Company which is not expected to pay dividend in the near future is currently selling for Rs.150. The risk-free interest rate is 0.8% per month. A 3 month futures contract is selling for Rs. 152. Develop an arbitrage strategy and show what would be the profit 3 months hence.
- 13. Explain the trend in Algorithmic Trading in the Indian context.
- 14. Explain the Capital Asset Pricing Model.

PART - C

Answer any TWO questions in about 1200 words each $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 15. Explain the functions of SEBI as a regulatory authority.
- 16. Elucidate the common trading strategies used in Algorithmic Trading.
- 17. Enumerate the various avenues for Fund Management.
- 18. Explain the Black-Scholes model of option valuation.
