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KIRIRI WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION DIPLOMA IN BANKING AND FINANCE

DBF 1104-MONETARY AND FINANCIAL SYSTEMS

Date:27th July 2022 Time:2.30pm-4.30pm

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS QUESTION ONE COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

a) Define the following terms as used in bond markets;

(4 marks)

i.Coupon

ii.Indenture

b) With the help of examples, differentiate between money markets and capital markets.

(4 marks)

c) Outline any two characteristics of a good financial market.

(2 marks)

d) Describe two types of pension schemes used in Kenya.

- (4 marks)
- e) Identify any five functions played by an efficient financial system that contribute to a country's development. (5 marks)
- f) State any three roles of a fund manager.

(6 marks)

g) List five elements of a well-functioning financial system.

(5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) The International Monetary Fund is an important part of the global financial industry. Describe five objectives of the IMF. (10 marks)
- b) Currency swaps are used as derivatives by financial market traders. Clarify any five advantages of currency swaps. (10marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) The Capital Markets Authority acts as an overseer of Kenya's capital market. Describe any five roles played by the Capital Markets Authority. (10 marks)
- b) Explain five benefits of listing a company on the Nairobi Securities Exchange to the directors of a firm that wishes to raise equity capital. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Elaborate on five effects of an efficient financial market on the economy. (10 marks)
- b) Explain five advantages of a Euromarkets type of international financial markets. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe five key challenges faced by pension funds in Kenya. (10marks)
- b) Derivatives are contracts that derive their value from the performance of an underlying asset. Expound any five applications of financial derivatives. (10 marks)