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ASSIGNMENT OF 20 LONG QUESTIONS

SUBJECT: BUSINESS FINANCE

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- 1. What are the key differences between **equity financing and debt financing**, and how should a business determine the optimal capital structure?
- 2. How does the **cost of capital** impact a company's investment decisions, and what factors influence the Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC)?
- 3. Discuss the **trade-off theory and pecking order theory** of capital structure. How do companies apply these theories in real-world financing decisions?
- 4. What role does **financial leverage** play in a company's risk and return profile, and how can businesses balance leverage to maximize shareholder value?
- 5. Explain the **Modigliani-Miller theorem** and its implications for corporate finance decision-making.
- 6. What are the primary financial risks businesses face (e.g., market risk, credit risk, operational risk), and how can they mitigate these risks through hedging and diversification?
- 7. How does a business evaluate the profitability and feasibility of an investment project using methods like **Net Present Value (NPV), Internal Rate of Return (IRR), and Payback Period?**
- 8. What are the advantages and disadvantages of using **real options analysis** in business investment decisions?
- 9. How do changes in **interest rates and inflation** affect business investment strategies and financial planning?
- 10. What are the key differences between **systematic and unsystematic risk**, and how can a business structure its portfolio to manage them effectively?
- 11. How do businesses use financial ratios (e.g., liquidity, profitability, solvency, efficiency) to assess financial health and operational efficiency?
- 12. Explain the significance of **cash flow statements** in financial decision-making and how they differ from income statements and balance sheets.
- 13. What are the implications of **earnings management and creative accounting** on financial statement integrity, and how can investors detect such practices?
- 14. How do businesses apply **break-even analysis** to determine the minimum sales required for profitability?
- 15. Why is working capital management critical for business success, and what strategies can companies use to optimize their working capital?

- 16. How does **corporate governance** influence financial decision-making, and what role does transparency play in investor confidence?
- 17. What are the ethical implications of **insider trading, fraudulent financial reporting, and corporate scandals** in financial markets?
- 18. How can businesses implement sustainable financial practices and integrate **Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) factors** into financial planning?
- 19. How do **foreign exchange rates and currency risk** impact multinational businesses, and what hedging strategies can firms use to manage exchange rate fluctuations?
- 20. What are the effects of **global financial crises and economic downturns** on business finance, and what strategies can companies use to maintain financial stability during uncertain times?