

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), BANGALORE-27 M.A. ECONOMICS – III SEMESTER Special Supplementary Examination, JUNE 2019

EC 9518: FINANCIAL ECONOMICS

Time-2 ½ hrs

Max Marks-70

Supplementary candidates only. Attach the question paper with the answer booklet

This paper contains ONE printed page and THREE parts

PART A Answer any FIVE of the following

- 1. What is St. Petersburg paradox?
- 2. State Fisher separation theorem.
- 3. Explain the difference between zero coupon bonds and coupon bonds.
- 4. What is the difference between systematic risk and unsystematic risk?
- 5. Define leverage.
- 6. What are commercial papers?
- 7. Differentiate between banks and non banking financial intermediaries.

PART B Answer any THREE of the following

- 8. State the major criticisms of expected utility theory. Discuss how prospect theory addresses it?
- 9. Describe the main features of options contracts. Show how to price a standard European call option using a single-period binomial model.
- 10. Discuss the credit creation process of commercial banks. What factors do you think affects the credit creation process?
- 11. Discuss on Treasury bill market of India.
- 12. Write a short note on Basel norms.

PART C Answer any TWO of the following

15 X2 = 30

2 X5=10

10 X3 = 30

- 13. State the assumptions and explain the expected utility theorem.
- 14. Detail the assumptions of the capital asset pricing model (CAPM) and provide a derivation of the CAPM equation. Support your derivation with graphical evidence.
- 15. What is agency cost? Using an appropriate theory, show that Modigliani Miller theorem does not hold in presence of agency cost.