MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Term-End Examination June, 2010

MS-41: WORKING CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

Time: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 100

(Weightage 70%)

Note: Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- Explain the concepts of Working Capital. Discuss the various factors that affect the requirement of Working Capital of a business entity.
- 2. Why do firms hold cash and marketable securities? Discuss the internal factors that affect the cash flows of firms.
- 3. Discuss the guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India regarding the issuance of commercial paper by companies in India. Also explain the procedure for issuing commercial paper.
- 4. Discuss the various methods of creating charge over the assets of the borrower in favour of the lender bank. Distinguish between Legal Mortgage and Equitable Mortgage.

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- 5. Discuss the salient features, merits and demerits of:
 - (a) Cash credit system
 - (b) Loan syndication
- 6. (a) What do you understand by Prudential Norms for exposure limits?
 - (b) Explain the Turnover Method of assessing working capital needs.
- 7. Write short notes on *any four* of the following:
 - (a) Foreign financial markets
 - (b) Consortium lending
 - (c) Baumol model
 - (d) Derivative Usance Promissory Notes
 - (e) Letter of Credit
 - (f) Euromarkets as a source of financing
- 8. Zen Sports, a manufacturer of atheletic equipment, is currently selling Rs. 50,00,000 annually to dealers on 30-day credit terms. Management believes that sales could be substantially increased if dealers carried more inventory; however dealers are unable to finance their inventory. As a result, the management is considering changing credit policy. The average collection period is now 30 days. Variable cost is 70% and fixed cost is Rs. 5,00,000. Required (pretax) rate of return on investment is 20%. The following information is available:

Credit Policy	Average Collection period	Annual Sales
A	45 days	Rs. 56,00,000
В	60 days	Rs. 60,00,000
C	75 days	Rs. 65,00,000
D	90 days	Rs. 72,00,000

- (a) Determine which policy Zen should adopt?
- (b) Discuss the implicit assumptions made by the incremental profit/incremental investment approach to decision making.