Assignment – Advanced Capital Budgeting Decisions

Advanced Financial Management - Final Level

Question 1

Determine NPV of the project with the following information:

Initial Outlay of project	₹ 40,000
Annual revenues (Without inflation)	₹ 30,000
Annual costs excluding depreciation (Without inflation)	₹ 10,000
Useful life	4 years
Salvage value	Nil
Tax Rate	50%
Cost of Capital (Including inflation premium of 10%)	12%

Question 2

XYZ Ltd. requires ₹ 8,00,000 for an unit. Useful life of project - 4 years. Salvage value - Nil. Depreciation Charge ₹ 2,00,000 p.a. Expected revenues & costs (excluding depreciation) ignoring inflation.

Year	1	2	3	4
Revenues	₹ 6,00,000	₹ 7,00,000	₹ 8,00,000	₹ 8,00,000
Costs	₹ 3,00,000	₹ 4,00,000	₹ 4,00,000	₹ 4,00,000

Tax Rate 60% cost of capital 10% (including inflation premium).

Calculate NPV of the project if inflation rates for revenues & costs are as follows:

Year	Revenues	Costs
1	10%	12%
2	9%	10%
3	8%	9%
4	7%	8%

Question 3

Possible net cash flows of Projects A and B at the end of first year and their probabilities are given below. Discount rate is 10 per cent. For both the projects, initial investment is ₹ 10,000. Calculate the expected net present value for each project. State which project is preferable?

Possible Event	Project A		Project B	
	Cash Flow (₹)	Probability	Cash Flow (₹)	Probability
A	8,000	0.10	24,000	0.10
B	10,000	0.20	20,000	0.15
C	12,000	0.40	16,000	0.50
D	14,000	0.20	12,000	0.15
E	16,000	0.10	8 ,000	0.10

Question 4

Probabilities for net cash flows for 3 years of a project are as follows:

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
Cash Flow (₹)	**Probability**	**Cash Flow (₹)**	**Probability**	**Cash Flow (₹)**	**Probability**
2,000	0.1	2,000	0.2	2,000	0.3
4,000	0.2	4,000	0.3	4,000	0.4
6,000	0.3	6,000	0.4	6,000	0.2
8,000	0.4	8,000	0.1	8,000	0.1

Calculate the expected net present value of the project using 10 per cent discount rate if the Initial Investment of the project is ₹ 10,000.

Question 5

Calculate Variance and Standard Deviation of Project A and Project B on the basis of following information:

Possible Event	Project A		Project B	
	Cash Flow (₹)	**Probability**	**Cash Flow (₹)**	**Probability**
A	8,000	0.10	24,000	0.10
B	10,000	0.20	20,000	0.15
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D	14,000	0.20	12,000	0.15
E	16,000	0.10	8,000	0.10

Question 6

An enterprise is investing ₹ 100 lakhs in a project. The risk-free rate of return is 7%. Risk premium expected by the Management is 7%. The life of the project is 5 years. Following are the cash flows that are estimated over the life of the project:

Year	Cash flows (₹ in lakhs)
1	25
2	60
3	75
4	80
5	65

Calculate Net Present Value of the project based on Risk free rate and also on the basis of Risks adjusted discount rate.

Question 7

If Investment proposal costs ₹ 45,00,000 and risk free rate is 5%, calculate net present value under certainty equivalent technique.

Year	Expected cash flow (₹)	Certainty Equivalent coefficient
1	10,00,000	0.90

2	15,00,000	0.85
3	20,00,000	0.82
4	25,00,000	0.78

Question 8

X Ltd. is considering its new project with the following details:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Figures
1	Initial capital cost	₹ 400 Cr.
2	Annual unit sales	5 Cr.
3	Selling price per unit	₹ 100
4	Variable cost per unit	₹ 50
5	Fixed costs per year	₹ 50 Cr.
6	Discount Rate	6%

Required:

1. Calculate the NPV of the project.
2. Compute the impact on the project's NPV considering a 2.5 per cent adverse variance in each variable. Which variable is having maximum effect?

Consider Life of the project as 3 years.

Question 9

XYZ Ltd. is considering a project "A" with an initial outlay of ₹ 14,00,000 and the possible three cash inflow attached with the project as follows:

Particulars	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Worst case	450	400	700
Most likely	550	450	800
Best case	650	500	900

Assuming the cost of capital as 9%, determine NPV in each scenario. If XYZ Ltd is certain about the most likely result in first two years but uncertain about the third year's cash flow, analyze what will be the NPV expecting worst scenario in the third year.

Question 10

L & R Limited wishes to develop new virus-cleaner software. The cost of the pilot project would be ₹ 2,40,000. Presently, the chances of the product being successfully launched on a commercial scale are rated at 50%. In case it does succeed. L&R can invest a sum of ₹ 20 lacs to market the product. Such an effort can generate perpetually, an annual net after tax cash income of ₹ 4 lacs. Even if the commercial launch fails, they can make an investment of a smaller amount of ₹ 12 lacs with the hope of gaining perpetually a sum of ₹ 1 lac. Evaluate the proposal, adopting decision tree approach. The discount rate is 10%.

Question 11

A Company named Roby's cube decided to replace the existing Computer system of their organisation. Original cost of old system was ₹ 25,000 and it was installed 5 years ago. Current market value of old system is ₹ 5,000. Depreciation of the old system was charged with life of 10 years with Estimated Salvage value as Nil. Depreciation of the new system will be charged with life over 5 years. Present cost of the new system is

₹ 50,000. Estimated Salvage value of the new system is ₹ 1,000. Estimated cost savings with new system is ₹ 5,000 per year. Increase in sales with new system is assumed at 10% per year based on original total sales of ₹ 10,00,00. Company follows straight line method of depreciation. Cost of capital of the company is 10% whereas tax rate is 30%.

Question 12

X Ltd. is a taxi operator. Each taxi cost to company ₹ 4,00,000 and has a useful life of 3 years. The taxi's operating cost for each of 3 years and salvage value at the end of year is as follows:

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Operating Cost	₹ 1,80,000	₹ 2,10,000	₹ 2,38,000
Resale Value	₹ 2,80,000	₹ 2,30,000	₹ 1,68,000

You are required to determine the optimal replacement period of taxi if cost of capital of X Ltd. is 10%.

Question 13

Skylark Airways is planning to acquire a light commercial aircraft for flying class clients at an investment of ₹ 50,00,000. The expected cash flow after tax for the next three years is as follows:

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
CFAT	**Probability**	**CFAT**	**Probability**	**CFAT**	**Probability**
14,00,000	0.1	15,00,000	0.1	18,00,000	0.2
18,00,000	0.2	20,00,000	0.3	25,00,000	0.5
25,00,000	0.4	32,00,000	0.4	35,00,000	0.2
40,00,000	0.3	45,00,000	0.2	48,00,000	0.1

The Company wishes to take into consideration all possible risk factors relating to airline operations. The company wants to know:

(i) The expected NPV of this venture assuming independent probability distribution with 6 per cent risk free rate of interest.

(ii) The possible deviation in the expected value.

(iii) How would standard deviation of the present value distribution help in Capital Budgeting decisions?

Question 14

A company is considering Projects X and Y with following information:

Project	Expected NPV (₹)	Standard deviation
X	1,22,000	90,000
Y	2,25,000	1,20,000

(i) Which project will you recommend based on the above data?

(ii) Explain whether your opinion will change, if you use coefficient of variation as a measure of risk.

(iii) Which measure is more appropriate in this situation and why?

Question 15

Shivam Ltd. is considering two mutually exclusive projects A and B. Project A costs ₹ 36,000 and project B ₹ 30,000. You have been given below the net present value probability distribution for each project.

Project A		Project B	
NPV estimates (₹)	**Probability**	**NPV estimates (₹)**	**Probability**
15,000	0.2	15,000	0.1
12,000	0.3	12,000	0.4
6,000	0.3	6,000	0.4
3,000	0.2	3,000	0.1

(i) Compute the expected net present values of projects A and B.

(ii) Compute the risk attached to each project i.e. standard deviation of each probability distribution.

(iii) Compute the profitability index of each project.

(iv) Which project do you recommend? State with reasons.

Question 16

Following are the estimates of the net cash flows and probability of a new project of M/s X Ltd.:

	Year	**P = 0.3**	**P = 0.5**	**P = 0.2**
Initial investment	0	4,00,000	4,00,000	4,00,000
Estimated net after tax cash inflows per year	1 to 5	1,00,000	1,10,000	1,20,000
Estimated salvage value (after tax)	5	20,000	50,000	60,000

Required rate of return from the project is 10%. Find:

(i) The expected NPV of the project.

(ii) The best case and the worst case NPVs.

(iii) The probability of occurrence of the worst case if the cash flows are perfectly dependent overtime and independent overtime.

(iv) Standard deviation and coefficient of variation assuming that there are only three streams of cash flow, which are represented by each column of the table with the given probabilities.

(v) Coefficient of variation of X Ltd. on its average project which is in the range of 0.95 to 1.0. If the coefficient of variation of the project is found to be less risky than average, 100 basis points are deducted from the Company's cost of Capital

Should the project be accepted by X Ltd?

Question 17

XY Ltd. has under its consideration a project with an initial investment of ₹ 1,00,000. Three probable cash inflow scenarios with their probabilities of occurrence have been estimated as below:

Annual cash inflow (₹)	20,000	30,000	40,000
Probability	0.1	0.7	0.2

The project life is 5 years and the desired rate of return is 20%. The estimated terminal values for the project assets under the three probability alternatives, respectively, are ₹ 0, 20,000 and 30,000.

You are required to:

(i) Find the probable NPV;

(ii) Find the worst-case NPV and the best-case NPV; and

(iii) State the probability occurrence of the worst case, if the cash flows are perfectly positively correlated over time.

Question 18

Red Ltd. is considering a project with the following Cash flows:

₹

Years	Cost of Plant	Recurring Cost	Savings
0	10,000		
1		4,000	12,000
2		5,000	14,000

The cost of capital is 9%. Measure the sensitivity of the project to changes in the levels of plant value, running cost and savings (considering each factor at a time) such that the NPV becomes zero. The P.V. factor at 9% are as under:

Year	Factor
0	1
1	0.917
2	0.842

Which factor is the most sensitive to affect the acceptability of the project?

Question 19

The Easygoing Company Limited is considering a new project with initial investment, for a product "Survival". It is estimated that IRR of the project is 16% having an estimated life of 5 years.

Financial Manager has studied that project with sensitivity analysis and informed that annual fixed cost sensitivity is 7.8416%, whereas cost of capital (discount rate) sensitivity is 60%.

Other information available are:

Profit Volume Ratio (P/V) is 70%,

Variable cost ₹ 60/- per unit

Annual Cash Flow ₹ 57,500/-

Ignore Depreciation on initial investment and impact of taxation.

Calculate

(i) Initial Investment of the Project

(ii) Net Present Value of the Project

(iii) Annual Fixed Cost

(iv) Estimated annual unit of sales

(v) Break Even Units

Cumulative Discounting Factor for 5 years

8%	9%	10%	11%	12%	13%	14%	15%	16%	17%	18%
3.993	3.890	3.791	3.696	3.605	3.517	3.433	3.352	3.274	3.199	3.127

Question 20

New Projects Ltd. is evaluating 3 projects, P-I, P-II, P-III. Following information is available in respect of these projects:

	P-I	P-II	P-III
Cost	₹ 15,00,000	₹ 11,00,000	₹ 19,00,000
Inflows-Year 1	6,00,000	6,00,000	4,00,000
Year 2	6,00,000	4,00,000	6,00,000
Year 3	6,00,000	5,00,000	8,00,000
Year 4	6,00,000	2,00,000	12,00,000
Risk Index	1.80	1.00	0.60

Minimum required rate of return of the firm is 15% and applicable tax rate is 40%. The risk free interest rate is 10%.

Required:

(i) Find out the risk-adjusted discount rate (RADR) for these projects.

(ii) Which project is the best?

Question 21

A firm has an investment proposal, requiring an outlay of ₹ 80,000. The investment proposal is expected to have two years economic life with no salvage value. In year 1, there is a 0.4 probability that cash inflow after tax will be ₹ 50,000 and 0.6 probability that cash inflow after tax will be ₹ 60,000. The probability assigned to cash inflow after tax for the year 2 is as follows:

The cash inflow year 1	50,000		60,000	
The cash inflow year 2	Probability		Probability	
	24,000	0.2	40,000	0.4
	32,000	0.3	50,000	0.5
	44,000	0.5	60,000	0.1

The firm uses a 10% discount rate for this type of investment.

Required:

(i) Construct a decision tree for the proposed investment project and calculate the expected net present value (NPV).

(ii) What net present value will the project yield, if worst outcome is realized? What is the probability of occurrence of this NPV?

(iii) What will be the best outcome and the probability of that occurrence?

(iv) Will the project be accepted?

(Note: 10% discount factor 1 year 0.909; 2 year 0.826)

Question 22

A & Co. is contemplating whether to replace an existing machine or to spend money on overhauling it. A & Co. currently pays no taxes. The replacement machine costs ₹ 90,000 now and requires maintenance of ₹ 10,000 at the end of every year for eight years. At the end of eight years it would have a salvage value of ₹ 20,000 and would be sold. The existing machine requires increasing amounts of maintenance each year and its salvage value falls each year as follows:

Year	Maintenance (₹)	Salvage (₹)
Present	0	40,000
1	10,000	25,000
2	20,000	15,000
3	30,000	10,000
4	40,000	0

The opportunity cost of capital for A & Co. is 15%.

Required:

When should the company replace the machine?

(Notes: Present value of an annuity of Re. 1 per period for 8 years at interest rate of 15% : 4.4873; present value of Re. 1 to be received after 8 years at interest rate of 15% : 0.3269).

Question 23

A company has an old machine having book value zero – which can be sold for ₹ 50,000. The company is thinking to choose one from following two alternatives:

(i) To incur additional cost of ₹ 10,00,000 to upgrade the old existing machine.

(ii) To replace old machine with a new machine costing ₹ 20,00,000 plus installation cost ₹ 50,000.

Both above proposals envisage useful life to be five years with salvage value to be nil.

The expected after tax profits for the above three alternatives are as under :

Year	Old existing Machine (₹)	Upgraded Machine (₹)	New Machine (₹)
1	5,00,000	5,50,000	6,00,000
2	5,40,000	5,90,000	6,40,000
3	5,80,000	6,10,000	6,90,000
4	6,20,000	6,50,000	7,40,000
5	6,60,000	7,00,000	8,00,000

The tax rate is 40 per cent.

The company follows straight line method of depreciation. Assume cost of capital to be 15 per cent.

P.V.F. of 15%, 5 = 0.870, 0.756, 0.658, 0.572 and 0.497. You are required to advise the company as to which alternative is to be adopted.

Question 24

Company X is forced to choose between two machines A and B. The two machines are designed differently but have identical capacity and do exactly the same job. Machine A costs ₹ 1,50,000 and will last for 3 years. It costs ₹ 40,000 per year to run. Machine B is an 'economy' model costing only ₹ 1,00,000, but will last only for 2 years, and costs ₹ 60,000 per year to run. These are real cash flows. The costs are forecasted in rupees of constant purchasing power. Ignore tax. Opportunity cost of capital is 10 per cent. Which machine company X should buy?

Question 25

Trouble Free Solutions (TFS) is an authorized service center of a reputed domestic air conditioner manufacturing company. All complaints/service related matters of Air conditioner are attended by this service center. The service center employs a large number of mechanics, each of whom is provided with a motor bike to attend the complaints. Each mechanic travels approximately 40000 kms per annuam. TFS decides to continue its present policy of always buying a new bike for its mechanics but wonders whether the present policy of replacing the bike every three year is optimal or not. It is of believe that as new models are entering into market on yearly basis, it wishes to consider whether a replacement of either one year or two years would be better option than present three year period. The fleet of bike is due for replacement shortly in near future.

The purchase price of latest model bike is ₹ 55,000. Resale value of used bike at current prices in market is as follows:

Period	**₹**
1 Year old	35,000
2 Year old	21,000
3 Year old	9,000

Running and Maintenance expenses (excluding depreciation) are as follows:

Year	**Road Taxes Insurance etc. (₹)**	**Petrol Repair Maintenance etc. (₹)**
1	3,000	30,000
2	3,000	35,000
3	3,000	43,000

Using opportunity cost of capital as 10% you are required to determine optimal replacement period of bike.