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DEGREE / YEAR OF STUDY: B.COM LEVEL SIX (PART-TIME) OLD PROGRAMME

Title of Paper : ACCOUNTING THEORY
Course Code : IDE AC 515 (Part -Time)
Total Marks : 100
Time Allowed : **THREE HOURS**

Instructions

- (i) There are **FOUR** Questions Answers to All
- (ii) Begin the solutions to each Question on a New page
- (iii) The marks awarded for each question are indicated at the end of the question
- (iv) Show all your workings
- (v) Calculations are to be made to zero decimal places of accuracy, unless otherwise Instructed.

RECOMMENDATION: Reading time should not exceed fifteen minutes

Note: You are reminded that in assessing your work, account will be taken of accuracy of the language and general quality of expression, together with layout and presentation of your answer.

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS : CALCULATOR

QUESTION NO.1

- i. Explain the "system approach" and examine the reasons for its application in the study of accounting. (Marks:09)
- ii. What is descriptive approach? Describe the various elements in the descriptive approach accounting theory. (Marks: 16)

QUESTION NO. 2

- i. What recommendations made by the Cadbury committee of financial reporting practice? (Marks:12)
- ii. Explain the dis-advantages of International Accounting Standards. (Marks:05)
- iii. Describe the common characteristics among financial conceptual framework. (Marks:08)

QUESTION NO.3

- i. Describe International Accounting Standards Committee (IASC) for the purpose of framework preparation and presentation of financial statements. (Marks:12)
- ii. What are the important procedures for the development of an international accounting standard? (Marks:08)
- iii. Explain the important factors for the development of Accounting Theory. (Marks: 05)

QUESTION NO.4

- i. Explain the advantages and disadvantages of direct reporting to an employee. (Marks: 12)
- ii. Describe the main points of non-financial data disclosure to an employee. (Marks: 13)