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## Section A

| Question Number | Answer |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mark |
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| 1(a) |  |  |  | W1 Cost of Sales |  |  |  |  |
|  | Profit and Loss Account for Bangla Radios plc for Y/e 31st Dec 2010 $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Direct Labour | 521000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Direct materials | 374000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  | Turnover | 3645000 | $\checkmark$ | Factory Deprctn | 84000 | $\checkmark \sqrt{ }$ | $9 \times \sqrt{ }$ |  |
|  |  |  |  | Machinery Depreciation | 87000 | $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  |
|  | Cost of sales | 1134000 | $\sqrt{\text { o/f }}$ | Production Director | 59000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Stock Adjust | 9000 | $\checkmark V$ |  |  |
|  | Gross profit | 2511000 | $\sqrt{\text { o/f }}$ |  | 1134000 |  |  |  |
|  | Distribution costs | 996700 | $\sqrt{\text { o/f }}$ | W2 Distribution Costs |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Commission on sales | 36450 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  | Administrative expenses | 516750 | $\sqrt{ }$ o/f | Promotions and Advertising | 47000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Fuel | 73500 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  | Other operating income | 18650 | $\checkmark$ | Motor Lorries Depctn | 133750 | $\checkmark V$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Shop Rent | 290000 | $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  |
|  | Other Investment Income $V$ | 46720 | $\checkmark$ | Transport Staff Wages | 127000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Shop staff wages | 231000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  | Interest Receivable | 4780 | $\checkmark$ | Marketing Director | 58000 | $\checkmark$ | $10 \times \sqrt{ }$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 996700 |  |  |  |
|  | Interest payable | 91000 | $\sqrt{\text { o/f }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | W3Administrative Expense |  |  |  |  |
|  | Profit on ordinary activities before tax | 976700 | $\sqrt{\text { o/f }}$ | Bad Debts Written Off | 1750 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Administration staff wages | 197000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  | Corporation tax | 165000 | $\checkmark$ | Finance Director | 64000 | $\checkmark$ | $4 \times \sqrt{ }$ |  |
|  |  |  |  | Professional fees | 254000 | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
|  | Profit on ordinary activities after tax |  | $\sqrt{ } \sqrt{C}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 811700 | o/f |  | 516750 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | W4 Interest Payable |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $15 \times \sqrt{ }$ |  | Debenture | 91000 | $\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{ } \sqrt{2} \\ & C \end{aligned}$ | $2 \times \sqrt{ }$ | (40) |


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| 1(b) | Maximum 8 Marks for arguing one side only <br> Case For Importance of Directors' Report <br> - Report gives information to eg shareholders $\sqrt{ }$ which they could use to make a decision $\sqrt{ }$ eg invest more funds in the company. $\checkmark$ <br> - Shareholders may be assured the company is acting in an ethical manner 5 <br> - Other stakeholders eg pressure group $\sqrt{ }$ may use information in the Report to bring about change in company policy $\int$ eg treatment of disabled $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Disclosures may be required under Stock Exchange regulations, $\sqrt{ }$ which may be appropriate in the Directors' Report $\sqrt{ }$ eg legislation pending $\int$ <br> - Information is given to shareholders which allows them to see in some detail how the company is performing $\int$ <br> - Eg principal activities, $\sqrt{ }$ review of position of business $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Post balance sheet events, $\sqrt{ }$ future developments $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Names of directors, $\sqrt{ }$ interests of directors $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Employee involvement, $\sqrt{ }$ disabled employees policy $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Political $\sqrt{ }$ and charitable donations $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Creditor payment policy, $\sqrt{ }$ creditor payment days $\sqrt{ }$ (Maximum of 4 marks for listing of items contained in Report) <br> Case Against Importance of Directors' Report <br> - Report costs personnel time $\sqrt{ }$ to prepare and money to print etc $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Directors may use Report to "window dress" accounts, 5 give an unrealistic positive view of the company, $J$ as it is in their interest to do so. $\sqrt{ }$ <br> - Readers with no knowledge of accounts may not understand the report. / | (12) |



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| 2(b) | Answers may include : <br> Payback method says invest $\sqrt{ }$ as project does pay back $\sqrt{ }$. However, is the payback period of 4 years 3.89 months (o/f) acceptable for the company? $\sqrt{ }$ Is it too long? J <br> Project is profitable (each year) $\int$ <br> NPV method states do not invest $\sqrt{ }$ as NPV is negative (o/f) $\int$ <br> NPV may be a better method to use $\int$ as it includes falling value of money over time $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Other Relevant Points <br> £2m has to be raised $\sqrt{ }$ which may worsen the gearing ratio $\sqrt{ }$ <br> How accurate are the predictions $\sqrt{ }$ for costs, cost of capital, and revenues? <br> (need 2 of these 3) J <br> Chance of renewal of contract after 5 years ?5 Would this be profitable J <br> Other possible investment projects available at present? / More or less profitable? / <br> Objectives/strategy of company? / Is this investment in line with objectives? / <br> If only one side of argument maximum of 8 marks. <br> Overall Conclusion - 2 marks <br> Company should/ should not invest. $/$ / | (12) |


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| 3(a) | Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash flow from operating activities |  |  | (12) |
|  | Net Operating Profit | 67210 | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | Add Interest: Bank overdraft | 1220 | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | Debenture $14000 \sqrt{ }+35005$ | 17500 |  |  |
|  | Profit on Sale of fixed asset | (2 500) | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | Depreciation $38000 \sqrt{ } 15000 \sqrt{ }$ | 53000 |  |  |
|  | Decrease in Stock | 1500 | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | Increase in Debtors | (1590) | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | Decrease in Creditors | (1970) | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities | 134370 | 「o/f $\sqrt{ }$ |  |


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| 3(b) | Cash Flow Statement for the Year ended 31 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ December 2010 <br> Wording is required to obtain the mark(s). Item also needs to be in correct place. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities |  | 134370 / o/f |  |
|  | Returns on Investment and Servicing of Finance $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  |  |
|  | Interest Paid |  | (18720) $\sqrt{\mathrm{o} / \mathrm{f}}$ |  |
|  | Preference Dividend Paid |  | $(8000)$ J |  |
|  | Taxation / |  |  |  |
|  | Tax Paid |  | $(9000)$ J |  |
|  | Capital Expenditure + Financial Investment $\int$ |  |  |  |
|  | Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets | $(80000)$ J |  |  |
|  | Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets | 4500 J |  |  |
|  | Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities |  | (75 500) / o/f |  |
|  | Equity Dividends Paid $/$ |  |  |  |
|  | Interim Dividend 2010 | (94 440) JJ | (94 440) |  |
|  | Net Cash Outflow before Financing |  | (71 290) 「o/f |  |
|  | Financing 5 |  |  |  |
|  | Issue of Ordinary Shares | 50000 J |  |  |
|  | Redemption of Preference shares | (50 000) $\sqrt{ }$ |  |  |
|  | Issue of Debenture | $\underline{50005}$ |  |  |
|  | Net Cash Inflow from Financing |  | 50000 / o/f |  |
|  | Decrease in Cash J |  | (21 290) $/ \mathrm{o} / \mathrm{f} / \mathrm{C}$ | (22) |


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| 3（c） | Analysis of Changes in Cash and Bank Balances during year ended 31 December 2010 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 31 December 2009 | $\begin{aligned} & 31 \text { December } \\ & 2010 \end{aligned}$ | Change in Year |  |
|  | Cash | 3700 | 1110 「 | （2 590）J |  |
|  | Bank | 7050 | （11 650）J | $(18700)$ J |  |
|  | Total | 10750 | （10 540）J | （21 290）J |  |
|  |  | Need first two columns for first $\sqrt{ }$ Other layouts for reconciliation are acceptable． |  |  | （6） |


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| 3（d） | Max 8 marks available for arguing only one side． <br> Handled poorly <br> Working capital has decreased 「 from £22 610 「 to（£940）J ie by £23 550 J <br> Working capital ratio has worsened $\int$ from $1.84: 1 /$ to $0.98: 1 /$ <br> Liquid（acid test）ratio has decreased $\sqrt{ }$ from $0.85: 1 /$ to $0.36: 1$ J <br> Bank／Cash has decreased J by £21 290 J <br> Directors paid themselves an enormous $\sqrt{ }$ interim dividend $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Handled well <br> Tax due at the start year has been paid． $\int$ <br> Funding via issue of debenture and／or ordinary shares $\sqrt{ }$ that covers redemption of preference shares $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Conclusion 2 marks <br> Liquidity has been handled poorly by the directors through the year．JJ | （12） |

## Section B



| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
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| 4(a)(ii) |  | (4) |


| Question Number | Answer |  | Mark |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4(b)(i) | ```Fixed Costs now £27000 o/f \ Variable costs per unit now £42.50 Jo/f Contribution per unit £80.00 - £ 42.50 = £ 37.50 5 o/f``` |  |  |
|  | Break even Poin | $=\frac{£ 27000}{£ 37.50} \mathrm{o} \text { o/f }=720 \text { units o/f } / \mathrm{f}$ | (4) |


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| 4(b)(ii) |  | (4) |


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| 4(c) | Valid answers may include : <br> Case for keeping Fixed charge (Option 1) <br> Profit is higher $\sqrt{ }$ by $£ 3000$ o/f $\int$ (if 2400 units are sold, option 2 telephone charge is $£ 6000$ ) <br> Profit is the most important aim of a business $\sqrt{ }$ more important than reducing break-even point $\int$ especially when break-even point is easily met. $\ulcorner$ <br> Case for changing to Measured charge (Option 2) <br> Measured charge sees break even point reduced $\int$ by 30 units o/f $\int$ which is beneficial to firm $\int$ especially if trading is tough. $\ulcorner$ <br> Margin and safety is greater $\int$ from 1650 (option 1) to 1680 (option 2) J by 30 o/f $/$ <br> Maximum of four marks if candidate argues for one side only. <br> Conclusion 2 marks <br> Keep with fixed charge method / measured charging method must be rejected. /J | (8) |



| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
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| 5(a)(ii) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Material Price Variance for one brick }=\frac{£ 210 ~}{120000 \checkmark \mathrm{o} / \mathrm{f}} \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ & \text { OR } \end{aligned}$ | (4) |


| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
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| 5(a)(iii) | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Actual cost per kilo of clay }= £ 6720 \int \\ &=2.24 \text { pence per kilo } \delta \\ &=2.5 \checkmark \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | (4) |


| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5(b)(i) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Budgeted Total cost }=120000 \times 2.5 \times 2.2 \mathrm{p} / \\ &=£ 6600 / \\ & \text { Total material cost variance }=£ 7392-\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{£} 6600 \mathrm{o} / \mathrm{f} \int \\ = \\ \end{array} \\ & \end{aligned}$ | (5) |


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| 5(b)(ii) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Material usage variance for one brick }=\frac{£ 792 \mathrm{o} / \mathrm{f} \int}{120000 \checkmark} \\ & \\ & \\ & \text { OR } \quad=0.66 \text { pence o/f } \int \text { Adverse }\ulcorner \\ & \end{aligned}$ | (4) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 5(b)(iii) | $\begin{aligned} \hline \text { Kilos of clay to produce one brick }=\frac{£ 7392}{120000 \sqrt{5 \times 2.205}}{ }^{\delta} & \\ & =2.8 \text { kilos } \delta \end{aligned}$ | (4) |


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| 5(c) | Maximum of 4 marks for giving one side of the argument <br> Case for Chinclay <br> Probably better quality clay $\sqrt{ }$ as no material usage variance. $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Earthworks has adverse usage variance $\sqrt{ }$ so probably poorer quality clay. $\sqrt{ }$ <br> 0.3 kilos o/f $\int$ of clay less used per brick $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Overall cost of using Chinclay is cheaper $\sqrt{ }$ by $£ 672$ / <br> Cost of 1 brick for Chinclay is $5.6 p$, which is 0.56 p 5 cheaper than <br> Earthworks $\sqrt{ }$ which is 6.16 p . <br> Case for Earthworks Limited <br> Cost per kilo of clay is cheaper $\int$ by 0.04 pence per kilo. $\int$ <br> Conclusion 2 marks <br> Best to stay with Chinclay JJ | (8) |


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| 6(a)(i) | $\frac{310000}{5000000}{ }_{\int}=6.2 \text { pence per share } \int$ | (3) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 6(a)(ii) |  | (3) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 6(a)(iii) | $\frac{420000}{310000}{ }_{\checkmark}=1.35 \text { times }\ulcorner$ | (3) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 6(a)(iv) | $\frac{6.2}{197} \text { o/f } \int \times 100=3.14 \% /$ | (3) |


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| 6(a)(v) | $\frac{420000}{5000000} \mathrm{~J}=8.4 \text { pence per share }\ulcorner$ | (3) |


| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
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| 6(a)(vi) | $\frac{197}{8.4} \text { o/f } /=23.45 \text { times } \int$ | (3) |


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| 6(b) |  | (6) |


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| 6(c) | Maximum of 4 marks for stating one side of argument only <br> Case for selling shares <br> Dividend yield is low. 5 She could possibly earn a better return in another company, or maybe even in a bank deposit account. J <br> Price/Earnings ratio is high, $\checkmark$ so a seller would get a good price. $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Profit of $£ 836$ has been made $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Case for holding shares <br> Dividend policy looks reasonably generous $\sqrt{ }$ with about $75 \% \sqrt{ }$ large amount of this years profit paid as a dividend. / <br> Price/Earnings ratio is high, $\delta$ which means the market has confidence in the share, $\ulcorner$ so price may continue to rise. $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Capital return of $9.59 \%$ per year is reasonably good $\int$ and may continue. $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Conclusion - 2 marks <br> Appears to be a share worth holding $/ \checkmark$ | (8) |



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| 7(c) | Maximum of 4 marks for stating one side of argument only <br> Case for debentures <br> Company raises cash required for new investment. / <br> Fees are likely to be low $\int$ compared to an issue of shares $\sqrt{ }$ e.g. prospectus, advertising, etc <br> No capital repayments $\sqrt{ }$ over the life of the debenture $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Interest is fixed $\sqrt{ }$ which allows budgeting to take place $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Debenture interest is allowed against tax $\sqrt{ }$ so less corporation tax is paid on profits • <br> Issuing debentures instead of shares reduces the chance of a takeover $\sqrt{ } /$ <br> Case Against debentures <br> There will be some expenses involved in debenture issue $\int$ e.g. <br> administration, underwriting etc $\int$ <br> When debenture matures, $\sqrt{ }$ a large capital sum has to be repaid $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Interest must be paid on debenture $/$ even when the company makes a loss $\sqrt{ }$ and interest will reduce the profits $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Issue of debenture means gearing ratio $\sqrt{ }$ will increase $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Debenture holders are likely to insist on a charge $\sqrt{ }$ over company assets $\sqrt{ }$ <br> Debenture holders may insist on some form of control $\sqrt{ } \mathrm{e} . \mathrm{g}$. a seat on the board / <br> Conclusion 2 marks <br> As a source of finance for the new marina, a debenture is probably (not) a good idea. $/ \int$ | (8) |

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