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FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
2025_2 EXAMINATIONS

Programme: B.Sc
Course Title: RURAL FINANCE
Course Code: CRD 303
Credit Unit: 2
Time Allowed: 3 Hours
Instruction: Answer three (3) questions only
Present all your points in coherent and orderly manner

(1a) Explain the concept of time preference for money and why is it important in financial decision-making? (11.6 marks)

(1b) Briefly state how the Net Present Value (NPV) of an investment is calculated? (11.7 marks)

(2a) Discuss how the time preference for money can be expressed, and why is it significant for investment analysis? (11.6 marks)

(2b) Explain why the absence of non-factual project feasibility studies is a significant issue for societies seeking loans, and what are the potential consequences? (11.7 marks)

(3a) Briefly discuss the importance of finance to a business enterprise? (11.6 marks)

(3b) High key characteristics of rural areas? (11.7 marks)

(4a) Briefly discuss five primary objectives of promoting rural finance? (11.6 marks)

(4b) Discuss the key features of the new rural finance paradigm that emerged in the late 1980s? (11.7 marks)