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M.A. Economics - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS APRIL - 2024
SEMESTER - III
22PECET3003 - Financial Services and Markets

Total Duration : 2 Hrs. 30 Mins.   Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions $(6 \times 5 = 30$ Marks$)$

1. Describe the key characteristics of the financial services sector in India and how they contribute to the overall stability of the economy.

2. Examine the role of regulatory frameworks and government policies in fostering the growth of the financial services industry in India.

3. Explain the concept of mutual funds and their significance in investment portfolios.

4. Define merchant banking and elaborate on its key functions in the financial services sector.

5. Explain the concept of Call Money Market and its significance in short-term lending.

6. Compare and contrast the risk-return profiles of different Money Market instruments.

7. Describe the Primary Market and its role in the overall capital market.

8. Describe the role of the Secondary Market in providing an avenue for investors to buy and sell existing securities.

Section C

I - Answer any **TWO** questions $(2 \times 10 = 20$ Marks$)$

9. Explain the role of financial inclusion initiatives in India and their contribution to expanding access to financial services among diverse population segments.

10. Examine the challenges and opportunities associated with venture capital funding in the current economic landscape.

11. Evaluate recent trends and developments in the Money Market, considering technological advancements and globalization.

12. Determine the impact of IPOs on the companies going public and the broader capital market.

<div align="center">II - Compulsory question $(1 \times 10 = 10$ Marks)</div>

13. Determine the stock exchange trade mechanism in India and how it contributes to market efficiency.

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