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III Semester M.Com. Degree (CBSS – Reg./Suppl./Imp.) Examination, October 2020 (2017 Admission Onwards) COM3C14: DERIVATIVES AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

SECTION - A

Answer any four questions in this Section. Each question carries 1 mark for Part (a), 3 marks for Part (b) and 5 marks for Part (c).

- 1. a) Explain the term performance bond.
 - b) What do you mean by "straddle"?
 - c) What do you mean by Monte Carlo valuation?
- 2. a) What do you mean by Quasi-arbitrage?
 - b) Explain spot price.
 - c) What do you mean by Imperfect hedge ? Explain the reason for imperfect hedging.
- 3. a) What do you mean by options?
 - b) What do you mean by put options and call options?
 - c) Explain the term option writer and what are the risk factors of option writer?
- 4. a) Expand and explain FTSE.
 - b) What do you mean by commodity feature?
 - c) What are the different types of margin in future contract?
- 5. a) What do you mean by European option? Explain its features.
 - b) Explain the parties in option contract.
 - c) How do you classify option and future ?

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- 6. a) What is meant by forwards?
 - b) Explain the term hedging.
 - c) How do you classify the forwards and future?

 $(4 \times 9 = 36)$

SECTION - B

Answer any two questions in this Section. Each question carries 12 marks.

7. a) What are the advantages and disadvantages of derivatives ? Explain.

OR

- b) What is the price of a European put option on a non-dividend paying stock when the stock price is Rs. 69, the strike price is Rs. 70, the risk-free interest rate is 5% per annum, the volatility is 35% per annum, and the time to maturity is six months?
- 8. a) What are the different option strategies? Explain in detail.

OR

b) The price, strike price and time until expiration are given below for 3 European call options on the same non-dividend paying stock.

	Option Price	Strike Price	Expiration
Option A	8.00	50.00	1 year
Option B	7.70	52.00	1.5 years
Option C	7.50	53.00	2.0 years

An arbitrageur sees an arbitrage opportunity and therefore buys or sells exactly one of Option B at time 0. Subsequently, the actual stock prices emerge as described in the table below:

Time	Stock Price
1 year	50.00
1.5 years	52.50
2.0 years	52.50

The continuously compounded risk-free rate of return is 6%. Arbitrage profits are accumulated at the risk-free rate of return. Determine the value of the arbitrage profits at the end of 2 years. (2×12=24)