SECOND SEMESTER UG DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025 (FYUGP) CC24UCOM2MN105 - ESSENTIALS OF INVESTMENT (B.Com. - Minor Course) (2024 Admission - Regular) Time: 2.0 Hours Maximum: 70 Marks Credit: 4 **Part A** (Short answer questions) Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 3 marks. 1. Describe the role of inflation in investment planning. [Level:2] [CO1] 2. Explain compounding and analyze its effect on investment growth. [Level:2] [CO1] 3. Discuss why systematic saving is essential for investment. [Level:2] [CO1] 4. Analyze the tax implications of investing in Gold ETFs in India. [Level:4] [CO2] 5. Discuss the benefits of investing in rental properties. [Level:2] [CO2] 6. Explain the characteristics of an Exchange-Traded Fund (ETF). [Level:2] [CO3] 7. Define a Fund's Expense Ratio and analyze its effect on returns. [Level:1] [CO3] 8. Define Lump Sum investment in Mutual Funds. [Level:1] [CO3] 9. Explain the role of a Discount Broker in stock trading. [Level:2] [CO4] 10. Describe how Online Brokers work. [Level:2] [CO4] (Ceiling: 24 Marks) **Part B** (Paragraph questions/Problem) Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 6 marks. 11. Identify the savings schemes available for individuals. [Level:1] [CO1] 12. Explain the role of risk in investment. [Level:2] [CO1] 13. If a customer wants to save \gtrless 10,000 per month for 5 years, which deposit scheme [Level:2] [CO2] would you recommend and why? 14. Compare Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY) with National Savings Certificate (NSC) [Level:1] [CO2] for tax savings. 15. Discuss the role of SEBI in regulating mutual funds. [Level:2] [CO3]

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16. Explain how you select mutual funds based on investment goals and risk profile.	[Level:1] [CO3]
17. Describe what are the online trading platforms and explain how they function.	[Level:2] [CO4]
18. Describe the process of opening a bank account.	[Level:2] [CO4]
	(Ceiling: 36 Marks)
Part C (Essay questions)	
Answer any <i>one</i> question. The question carries 10 marks.	
19. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of investing in commercial real estate versus residential real estate, and assess which is more suitable for long-term capital appreciation.	[Level:1] [CO2]
20. Explain the concept of margin trading in the stock market, and discuss the potential risks and rewards associated with it.	[Level:2] [CO4]
	(1 × 10 = 10 Marks)
