

## **SUGGESTED SOLUTIONS**

## **08204 - Accounting Applications and Taxation**

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#### **General Comment**

The performance of candidates was fairly satisfactory but some had poorly answered due to the lack of knowledge in basic principles and the lack of experience in answering questions under examination conditions. Some candidates had spent time for some questions without due care on the marks allocated to each question. Before starting to answer, the candidates must plan the time allocation.

Candidates are advised to read the study pack and do all the examples given in the text in order to learn the principles and their applications since the examiners are mainly testing the knowledge that could have been gathered mainly from the study pack.

Past practise in answering questions is very essential, especially in the Accounting subject. This will help candidates to obtain thorough knowledge in basic principles and their applications. Therefore candidates must do past papers of the same examination as much as possible.

## Answer No. 01

## (a) Calculation of goodwill arising on acquisition

	Rs. 000	Rs. 000
Investment (Cash)		16,800
Investment (Land value)		2,500
Fair value of non-controlling interest		3,000
(20% * 600,000 * 25)		
Net assets		
Stated capital	12,000	
Retained earnings	6,550	
Decrease in value of plant and machinery (W1)	(850)	
		<u>(17,700)</u>
		<u>4,600</u>
<u>W1</u>		
Plant and machinery - Carrying value	1,100	
Plant and machinery - Fair value	250	
Decrease in value	(850)	

## (b) Calculation of non-controlling interest (NCI)

	Rs. 000	Rs. 000
Market value as at 1/4/2013		3,000
Profit for the year attributable to NCI (W2)		680
Dividend		(240)
		<u>3,440</u>

#### <u>W2</u>

Post-acquisition profit [(8,040 – 6,550 + 1,200 +850) \*20%) 708 Goodwill impairment [140 @ 20%] (28) 680

## (c) Calculation of consolidated retained earnings as at 31 March 2014

	Peak	Cape
	Rs. 000	Rs. 000
Retained earnings 31/3/2014 - as stated	26,780	8,040
Dividend	-	1,200
Pre-acquisition profit of Cape PLC	-	(6,550)
	26,780	2,690
Adjustments:		
A1 - Loss on disposal already recognized at the		
acquisition	-	850
A2 - Unrealized profit on unsold inventory	(100)	
A3 - Recognition of interest income	150	-
A4 - Intercompany dividend	(960)	
A5 - Goodwill impairment		(140)
		3,400
NCI @ 20%		(680)
	25,870	2,720
	28,	590

# (d) Peak PLC Group Consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014

		<b>Rs.</b> 000
Assets		
Property, plant and	34,800 + 18,250 + 850 - 850 - 2,500 (Trf. land)	50,550
equipment		
Goodwill	4,600 – 140 (Imp loss)	4,460
Inventories	6,870 + 8,750 – 100 (URP)	15,520
Trade and other receivable	5,835 + 6,970+ 150 – 150 – 800 (Inter Co.)	12,005
Cheque in transit		800
Cash and cash equivalents	815 + 550	<u>1,365</u>
		84,700
<b>Equity &amp; Liabilities</b>		
Stated capital		39,000
Consolidated retained		28,590
earnings		
Non-controlling interest		3,440
12% debentures	10,000 – 5,000 (Inter Co.)	5,000
Trade and other payable	4,340 + 4,180	8,520
Accrued debenture interest	300 -150 (Inter Co.)	<u>150</u>
		<u>84,700</u>

This question was on consolidation accounting, a regular question that continuously appeared in the Accounting Application paper. The examiner has tested the knowledge of basic concepts in preparation of consolidated financial statements such as; goodwill arising on acquisition, calculation of non-controlling interest and presentation format of consolidated financial statements.

Majority of the candidates did not understand some fundamental principles of consolidation accounting, for example, setting off intercompany balances, treatment of pre-acquisition profit, ascertaining unrealised profit, payment of dividend using pre-acquisition profit.

Many candidates did not prepare a consolidation schedule. This resulted in candidates spending their time doing workings for each and every adjustment separately. Candidates must practice easy and time saving methods in planning answers to questions.

Some of the adjustments were correctly computed but candidates did not know where that particular item should be shown in the financial statements. Most of the students did the management fee adjustment correctly. The intercompany sales and purchases adjustment was not correctly understood by most of the candidates.

In order to present a quality and correct answer it is essential to understand the question properly. Candidates should practice his/her own method of analysing questions in order to recognise key areas of knowledge that the examiner has tested. This will definitely help the candidates to write a correct answer in the format expected by the examiner.

Some candidates take down important and critical parts of the question and some may underline them. However the method they apply must be practised when they prepare for the examination. This helps to present a well-structured answer.

A working that arrives at the figures which are shown in the final answer is very essential. Some candidates presented their answer without workings.

A few candidates had attempted the question with a plan and accordingly built up the answer. They had selected the correct format, presented the answer appropriately, avoided duplicating work and thereby managed their time effectively. They had presented relevant workings to the extent the examiner could give adequate marks.

(b)

(a) Gloom PLC
Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2014

		Rs. 000
Sales	105,520 – 480 (gift)	105,040
Cost of sales	80,540 + 650 (understated opening inv) + 1,780	
	(dep <sup>n</sup> plant) + 90 (redundant stock) – 400 (gift)	<u>(82,660</u> )
Gross profit		22,380
Other income:		
- Profit on disposal of		
plant		80
- Decrease in doubtful		
debt provision		<u>47</u>
		22,507
Less: Expenses		
- Administration	$*6,800 + 1,315 (dep^n) + 800 (imp. land)$	
expenses		(8,915)
- Distribution cost	$3,260 + 400 \text{ (gift)} + 420 \text{ (bad debts)} + 2,100 \text{ (dep}^n$	
	motor vehcle)	(6,180)
- Financial charges	600 + 200 (debt redemption) + $600$ (accrued int.)	(1,400)
Profit before taxation		6,012
Tax expenses for the year	1,800-200 (over-prov <sup>n</sup> ) $-210$ (deferred tax)	(1,390)
Profit for the year		4,622
Other comprehensive		
income		
Land impairment		(2,000)
Total comprehensive		
income for the year		2,622

Gloom PLC
Statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014

		Rs. 000
Assets		
Non current assets		
Property, plant and		
equipment		43,015
Current assets		
Inventory	12,360 – 90 — (240 -150) (redundant stock)	12,270
Trade receivables	6,160 – 420 (b.debts) – 480 (gift) - 263 (prov <sup>n</sup> )	4,997
Other receivables		640
Cash & cash		
equivalents		<u>5,260</u>
Total assets		66,182

<b>Equity and liabilities</b>		
Stated capital &		
reserves		
Stated capital		34,700
Revaluation reserve		2,700
Retained earnings		<u>15,612</u>
		53,012
Non current		
liabilities		
12% debentures		6,000
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade payables		4,700
Other payables	1,260 + 400 (tax payable) + 600 (accrued deb int)	2,260
Deferred tax		<u>210</u>
Total equity and		
liabilities		66,182

## (c) Statement of changes in equity as at 31 March 2014

			<b>Rs. 000</b>
	Stated	Revaluation	Retained
	capital	reserve	earnings
Balance as at 01/04/2013	30,500	5,000	10,280
Adjustment for error in opening inventory	1	•	650
Balance as at 01/04/2013 – restated	30,500	5,000	10,930
Profit for the year	•	•	4,622
Impairment of land	•	(2,000)	
Converting debenture	4,200	•	
Interim dividend paid	•	•	(240)
Disposal of plant and machinery	-	(300)	300
	34,700	2,700	15,612

## (d) Statement showing movements in property, plant and equipment

					Rs. 000
	Land & buildings	Office equipment	Plant & machinery	Motor vehicles	Total
Cost/revaluation					
Balance as at 1/4/2013	45,800	2,600	9,800	8,400	66,600
Additions	-	600	-	-	
					600
Disposals	_	-	(1,800)	_	(1,800)
Impairment of land	(2,800)	1	1	-	(2,800)
Balance as at 31/3/2014	<u>43,000</u>	<u>3,200</u>	8,000	8,400	62,600
Accumulated dep <sup>n</sup>					
Balance as at 1/4/2013	4,270	1,280	4,300	4,720	14,570
Charge for the year	1,040	275	1,780	2,100	5,195
Disposal	-	-	<u>(180)</u>	-	<u>(180)</u>
Balance as at 31/3/2014	5,310	<u>1,555</u>	<u>5,900</u>	6,820	<u>19,585</u>
<b>WD</b> value on 31/3/2014	37,690	1,645	2,100	1,580	43,015

## Notes:

## 1. **Revaluation of land:**

	Revaluation reserve a/c Impairment of land Land account	Dr. Dr. Cr.	2,000 800	2,800	
	Land account	CI.		2,000	
				<u>Rs. 000</u>	
2.	Plant purchased on 1/1/2012			2,000	
	Accumulated depreciation or	n 31/3/2	2013	500	(2,000 * 20% * 1.25)
	Book value on 31/3/2013			1,500	
	Revaluation amount on 31/3	/2013		1,800	
	Credited to revaluation reser	ve on 3	1/3/2013	300	
	Revaluation amount on 1/4/2	2013		1,800	
	Depreciation charge to 30/9/	2013 @	20%	<u> 180</u>	
	Book value on 30/9/2013			1,620	
	Sales proceeds			<u>1,700</u>	
	Profit on disposal			<u>80</u>	

Rs. 000

Rs. 000

In addition to the above, Rs. 300,000 should be transferred from the revaluation reserve account to the retained earnings account.

This question is similar to that of the previous examination. A fair number of candidates had satisfactorily answered and most of them could earn more than 60% of the marks allocated. An average candidate could have earned more than half of the marks without much effort.

Almost all the candidates failed to record the transfer of retained profit (arising from revaluation) of the disposal of machinery from revaluation reserve (Rs. 300,000) to retained earnings. Majority of the candidates did not show any other comprehensive income, i.e. impairment loss of the land. A few candidates incorrectly showed the entire loss of the land as other comprehensive income, without charging the impairment loss over and above the revaluation reserve to comprehensive income.

Cost of sales was incorrectly computed by some candidates due to not providing the correct depreciation of plant, provision for redundant stock and cost of the donation to the charity.

Premium on debenture conversion to ordinary shares was incorrectly transferred to the revaluation reserve or to retained earnings by most candidates without charging as an expense to the comprehensive income account.

Candidates faced difficulty in the inventory adjustment for redundant stock, trade receivables net of doubtful debtors, doubtful debt provision and over provision of doubtful debtors.

The current portion of the deferred tax liability (i.e. 420/2 = 210) should be credited to provision for taxation account and the remaining portion (i.e. 210) be shown as a current liability as the question clearly showed that the deferred tax liability is to be reversed during the two years ending 31.03.2015. However, candidates did not consider this factor when answering.

A fair number of students are not yet aware of the manner in which financial statements should be presented under SLFRSs. Some candidates still used terms such as Profit and Loss account, balance Sheet etc. when presenting financial statements. This resulted in candidates losing easy marks.

- (a) Used singly or combination with other assets in the production of goods and services to be sold by the entity.
  - (ii) Exchanged for other assets
  - (iii) Used to settle a liability
  - (iv) Distributed to the owners of the entity
- (b) A qualifying asset is an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale.

(c)

Type of interest cost	Comment
Interest on loan from ABC	Can be capitalised as it is obtained for a qualifying asset
Bank	(construction of new office building). However, capitalisation
	should be ceased on 30 June 2013, once the construction was
	completed.
Interest on loan from	This should be charged to the income statement since the purchase
Capital Bank	of the building is not a qualifying asset.
Interest on bank overdraft	Since the funds have been used commonly, a capitalisation rate
	should be calculated to determine the borrowing cost to be
	capitalised. (Capitalisation rate is the weighted average of the cost
	of borrowings that are outstanding during the period other than
	specific borrowing)
Interest on late settlement of	This should be charged to the income statement
creditors	

## (d) **Z Ltd – Building construction company**

	<u>Rs. 000</u>		
	Year 1	Year 2	
Initial contract price (agreed revenue)	18,000	18,000	
Variation		2,000	
Total contract revenue	18,000	20,000	
Contract cost incurred until the year end	5,210	11,480	
Estimated cost to complete the contract	10,790	6,120	
Total estimated contract cost	16,000	17,600	
Estimated profit	2,000	2,400	
Percentage completion	32.5%	65%	
Total profit to be recognised	650	1,560	
Estimated profit to be recognised each year	650	910	

(e) **ROCE:** This implies the return as a percentage of total capital employed. It does not consider equity capital and loan capital separately. It is an indicator of management efficiency – in other word, how efficiently they have invested the capital given to them. Therefore profit is taken before interest and tax and capital employed is taken the total of equity and loan capital.

**ROE:** This implies the return (residue) left for equity shareholders. It assists in the decisions of equity shareholders, say whether to continue with this holding or to divest and invest in other securities. Therefore, here, profit is taken after interest and tax.

This question was a fairly easy question from which the candidates could have earned a reasonable amount of marks. However most of the candidates were unable to understand the question. A fair number of candidates earned an average mark for this question.

Part (a) was a direct question from which the candidates were expected to state three ways by which future economic benefits embodied in an asset could flow to an entity. Only a few candidates could present the correct answer. Instead, they wrote irrelevant points without knowing the ways an asset brings future economic benefits to the entity. Most of them tried to list out different ways by which cash would flow to an entity. If the candidate does not have the knowledge on the area of the subject tested, it is difficult for them to give a correct answer to a straightforward question like this.

Both parts (b) and (c) were on LKAS 23.

Part (b) is a direct question and almost all the candidates obtained the full marks allocated.

Part (c) tested the ability of the candidates to recognise the interest paid by and entity which has borrowed money to finance different activities of that business. This question was based on LKAS 23 Borrowing Costs. A fair number of candidates answered this question and reasonable marks were obtained.

Part (d) was on construction accounting and basics of construction accounting were tested. The candidates were required to calculate the estimated profit/loss to be recognised for two consecutive years. Most of the candidates performed well on this part of the question and earned full marks.

Part (e) tested the knowledge of the candidates on the two main profitability ratios; ROCE and ROE. Further the candidates were requested to explain the difference between these two ratios.

A reasonable number of candidates scored well on this question but a few demonstrated a lack of understanding the purpose of calculating these two ratios.

Answer No. 04		Exempt/	Liable
		not liable	
		Rs.	Rs.
<b>Employment income</b>			
Salary – 250,000 x 12			3,000,000
Vehicle benefit (exceeds engine capacity 1500cc) is Rs. 50,000 per month		600,000	
Vehicle benefit is exempt up to Rs. 50,000 per month		(600,000)	-
Reimbursement of telephone bills, internet bills etc. Rs. 152,000 x 50%	3		76,000
Reimbursements of health insurance premium Rs. 8,000 x 12			96,000
Reimbursements of endowment life policy premium Rs. 2,000 x 12			24,000
Servant's salary Rs. 15,000 x 12			180,000
Reimbursement of hotel bill			94,000
Rental value			
Rating assessment + rates = Rs. 220,000 \( \) higher			
Rent paid by the employer = Rs. $80,000 \times 12$ Rs. $960,000$			
Employment income under section 4 (1) (a) is more than Rs. 1,800,000			
Higher value of above is = Rs. 960,000 lower			
Statutory restriction is $= Rs. 180,000$			
Residential benefit = the above lower value			180,000
Employment income from ABC Ltd.			3,650,000
Employment income as a director			480,000
Statutory income from employment			4,130,000
Interest income			
Interest on moneys lying to his credit in RFC account			
US \$734 x Rs.127		93,218	
It <u>is exempt</u> from tax			
Interest from fixed deposits $80,000/8 \times 100 = \text{Rs.} 1,000,000$ and it does not form part of the statutory income		1,000,000	
The profit from sale of shares			
- in public listed companies - exempt		76,000	
- private companies - not chargeable to tax		150,000	
Lottery prize - As WHT is deducted, it does not form part of the statutory income		3,500,000	
Business income			
Net profit as per accounts 11,234,000			
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Less: other sources of income			
Rent income	(1,500,000)		
Profit on sale of the van	(2,600,000)		
Add/(less) – Disallowable Items	, , ,		
Rates to building of 4 <sup>th</sup> floor	30,000		
Book depreciation on the building	1,000,000		
Capital allowance on buildings Rs. 15,000,000 x 10%	(1,500,000)		
Rented floor - Not allowed Rs. 15,000,000 x <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x 10%	375,000		
Book depreciation on computers	70,000	-	
Capital allowance – Rs. 280,000 x 25%	(70,000)		
Book depreciation on motor van	875,000		
Profit/loss from the disposal of the old van			
Sale proceeds Less: Tax WDV Cost of acquisition Less: capital allowance granted Profit from disposal  Capital allowance Cost of acquisition Less: profit from disposal Since its a replacement  2,400,000  (2,400,000) 0 2,600,000  (2,600,000) (2,600,000) 900,000			
Capital allowance - 20% of Rs. 900,000	(180,000)		
Book depreciation on furniture	210,000		
Capital allowance Rs. 840,000 x 20%	(168,000)		
Adjusted profit	7,776,000		7,776,000
Rent income         Gross rent received $1.500,000$ Less: Rates $30,000$ $1,470,000$ Less: 25% for repairs $367,500$ $1,102,500$ NAV = $75,000$			
Net rent is more than NAV  Total statutory income			1,102,500 13,008,500
Less: Deductions under Section 32			
Interest paid on an educational loan – not deductible			-

Assessable income				13,008,500
Less qualifying payments:				
EPF contribution – not a qualifyin	g payment	-		
Donation – Approved charity for t	he sick & needy	30,000		
Health insurance		<u>96,000</u>		
Limited to 1/3 of AI or Rs. 75,000	whichever is lower	126,000		75,000
Endowment policy - not deductib	le	-		
Qualifying payment on employme	nt income		100,000	
Personal allowance			500,000	600,000
Taxable income				12,333,500
First 500,000	@ 4% 20,000			
Next 500,000	@ 8% 40,000			
Educational service 7,776,000	@ 10% 777,600			
Next 500,000	@ 12% 60,000			
500,000	@ 16% 80,000			
Next 1,000,000	@ 20% 200,000			
Balance 1,557,500	@ 24% 373,800			
Gross income tax payable		1,551,400		
Less: Tax credit				
Self-assessment payments		1,000,000		
PAYE		422,000		
WHT on director fees Rs. 480,000	x 16%	76,800		
Balance tax payable		52,600		

This question required candidates to:

- (i) Calculate the gross income tax liability of an individual for the year of assessment 2013/14. The question included calculations of statutory income from the following sources:
  - Employment. This included calculations of:
    - ➤ Vehicle (car) benefit
    - ➤ House benefit and tax treatment of reimbursement of telephone, insurance, servant's salary etc. and director's fee received from a second employer.
  - Interest income
  - Profits from sale of shares.
  - Lottery prize and
  - Business income (this included an adjustment of profits)

The question also included identification of items deductible under Section 32 and qualifying payments reliefs under Section 34

- (ii) Applicable tax credits.
- (iii) Balance tax payable/refund

Most candidates made a good attempt at this question. Majority displayed excellent application skills in the construction and identification of the statutory contents of an income tax computation of an individual. Most of the candidates demonstrated sound knowledge in:

- Identifying allowable/disallowable items (S.25 and 26 of the Inland Revenue Act)
- Computing the statutory income from different sources
- Identifying Section32 deductions
- Claiming qualifying payments
- Applying income tax rates
- Claiming tax credits

Most candidates (almost 100%) mentioned correctly the tax treatment of interest arising on RFC accounts and on fixed deposit on which WHT has been deducted

Where mistakes were made, these generally related to:

## **Employment income**

- Improper reading of the question, for example:
  - > salary monthly salary erroneously taken as annual salary.
  - director's fee few candidates treated this as net whereas the question clearly mentions this is gross
- Poor subject knowledge:
  - Director's fee a good number of candidates treated this as exempt since WHT has been deducted.
  - Employment allowance few candidates were not aware that this is a qualifying payment w.e.f. Y/A 2013/14
  - ➤ Vehicle benefit few candidates mentioned "one vehicle exempt" instead of saying up to Rs. 50,000 exempt.

## **Examiners' comments (cont....)**

## **Income from trade**

- Commencing the computation from the turnover
- Applying incorrect depreciation allowances

## **Deduction under Section 32**

Most candidates are not aware that interest paid on personal loans are not deductible.

## **Qualifying payments**

Only a very few candidates mentioned that no claim is available in rest of EPF contributions.

(a) Computation of divisible profits of Pasdum Enterprises and statutory income of partners for the year of assessment 2013/14

	Rs.	
	+	-
Net profit as per accounts	13,077,000	
Less: Rent income		2,400,000
Add: salaries paid to Pasindu	1,500,000	
Book depreciation – building	650,000	
Capital Allowance on building:		
Since it is purchased from another business and used for industrial		
purposes, Rs. 6,500,000 x 6 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub> %		433,333
Disallowed capital allowances on rented floor – Rs. 6,500,000 x 50%	216,667	
Book depreciation – motor vehicle	800,000	
No capital allowance is available since it is used for travelling	-	
Donation - disallowed	140,000	
Rates - disallowed 50% in respect of rented area	45,000	
Entertainment - disallowed	214,000	
Interest paid to Dumindu - allowed	-	
Adjusted profit/divisible profit	13,809,334	

## Distribution of divisible profit

	Rs.			
	Total	Dumindu	Pasindu	
Partner's salaries	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	
Share of balance profit	12,309,334	6,154,667	6,154,667	
Divisible profit	13,809,334	6,154,667	7,654,667	

#### (b) <u>Statutory income of partners</u>

	<u>Dumindu</u>	<u>Pasindu</u>
Trade income - Share of partnership profit	6,154,667	7,654,667
Interest income	1,000,000	-
Rent income (Note)	883,125	<u>883,125</u>
Total statutory income	8,037,792	8,537,792

## **Note: Rent income**

Gross rent	2,400,000
Less: Rates	<u>45,000</u>
	2,355,000
Less: repair allowance 25%	<u>588,750</u>
Net rent	1,766,250

#### **Examiners' comments**

This question required candidates to prepare the following computations for the year of assessment 2013/14:

- (a) Distribution of divisible profit among the partners. This included an adjustment of profits.
- (b) Total statutory income of each partner.

Majority of the candidates presented excellent answers. It was not uncommon for candidates to score full marks. The undermentioned shortcomings in answers are noteworthy:

- A few candidates computed partnership tax which was not required in the question. This is a waste of valuable time earning no extra marks. Improper reading of the question and/or poor planning may be the cause.
- Inclusion of interest income in ascertaining divisible profits.
- Ignorance of the fact that buildings used in a trade and purchased by a manufacturing business entity is eligible for depreciation allowance claim.
- Poor subject knowledge treating interest paid to partner and overdraft interest as allowable since withholding tax (WHT) has been deducted!!
- Ascertainment of adjusted trade profit commencing the computation from <u>turnover</u> instead of net profit.
- Partner's salary treating this as employment income.
- Numbering the answer a good number of candidates did not number (a) and (b)

#### Munaweera

## Computation of balance tax and penalty payable for the year of assessment 2013/14

Minimum quarterly tax payable to avoid penalty is 1/4th of Rs. 800, 000 - i.e. Rs. 200,000

First three quarters are correctly paid on the due dates. Therefore, no penalty is payable

For quarter ended 31.03.2014		Rs.
Tax payable		200,000
Tax paid	125,000	
Add: Over paid for Q/E 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2013	25,000	(150,000)
Amount in default		50,000
Penalty payable		
For default on - 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 (10% of Rs. 50,000)	5,000	
15 <sup>th</sup> June 2014 (2% of Rs. 50,000)	1,000	
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2014 (2% of Rs. 50,000)	1,000	
15 <sup>th</sup> August 2014 (2% of Rs. 50,000)		
Total penalty payable	400	<u>8,000</u>
Total tax and penalty payable on 31.08.2014 = Re	s. 50,000 + Rs. 8,000	
1 313	s. 58,000	

#### **Examiners' comments**

The question required the candidates to calculate the penalty payable in respect of default tax arising from shortfalls in the payment of income tax in quarterly in statements by an individual. Most of the candidates made a poor attempt at this question. Most failed to:

- Mention the minimum amount payable to avoid a penalty. Candidates should display their knowledge. Silence earns no marks.
- Identify the quarter in respect of which a penalty becomes due.
- Mention dates relevant to computation of penalty.

In fact majority of the candidates did not answer this question.

## Laptop Ltd

## Computation of Value Added Tax (VAT) payable for March 2014

VAT payable on the supply of hi-fi equipment (Rs. 2,000,000 x 12%) VAT payable on computers (exempt supply) Total Output VAT	-	240,000 0 240,000
Less: Credits on Input VAT	200,000	210,000
VAT paid to Director General of Customs on hi-fi equipment VAT paid on computers - not deductible	300,000	
VAT on other inputs - 2,000,000 x 20,000		
8,000,000	5,000	
	305,000	
Limited to 100% of output tax	(240,000)	(240,000)
Excess input credit c/f	<u>65,000</u>	
Balance VAT payable		NIL

## **Examiners' comments**

The question required candidates to calculate Value Added Tax (VAT) payable by a company having supplies taxable at standard rate and supplies which are exempt from tax.

Most of the candidates made a good attempt at this question. A common area where majority made mistakes was in relation to computation of input VAT or other local supplies attributable to exempt supplies (disallowable) and taxable supplies (allowable). A few candidates made the following mistakes:

- treating output tax as input tax and vice versa.
- not limiting the deduction of input tax to 100% of output tax.



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