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# **AUDITING**

# **DIVISION - A (MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS)**

# **ANSWER (1-20) CARRY 1 MARK EACH**

- 1. Ans. c
- 2. Ans. c
- 3. Ans. b
- 4. Ans. c
- 5. Ans. c
- 6. Ans. b
- 7. Ans. b
- 8. Ans. a
- 9. Ans. c
- 10. Ans. a
- 11. Ans. a
- 12. Ans. c
- 13. Ans. d
- 14. Ans. b
- 15. Ans. c
- 16. Ans. d
- 17. Ans. c
- 18. Ans. a
- 19. Ans. c
- 20. Ans. c

# **ANSWER (21-25) CARRY 2 MARKS EACH**

- 21. Ans. b
- 22. Ans. b
- 23. Ans. d
- 24. Ans. b
- 25. Ans. c

# DIVISION B-DESCRIPTIVE QUESTIONS QUESTION NO. 1 IS COMPULSORY ATTEMPT ANY FOUR QUESTIONS FROM THE REST

# Answer 1:

Examine with reasons (in short) whether the following statements are correct or incorrect: (Attempt any 7 out of 8)

(i) Incorrect: Fraud may involve sophisticated and carefully organised schemes designed to conceal it. Therefore, audit procedures used to gather audit evidence may be ineffective for detecting an intentional misstatement that involves, for example, collusion to falsify documentation which may cause the auditor to believe that audit evidence is valid when it is not. The auditor is neither trained as nor expected to be an expert in the authentication of documents.

- (ii) Incorrect: An audit is not an official investigation into alleged wrongdoing. Accordingly, the auditor is not given specific legal powers, such as the power of search, which may be necessary for such an investigation.
- (iii) Incorrect: The matter of difficulty, time, or cost involved is not in itself a valid basis for the auditor to omit an audit procedure for which there is no alternative. Appropriate planning assists in making sufficient time and resources available for the conduct of the audit. Notwithstanding this, the relevance of information, and thereby its value, tends to diminish over time, and there is a balance to be struck between the reliability of information and its cost.
- (iv) Incorrect: The auditor should plan his work to enable him to conduct an effective audit in an efficient and timely manner. Plans should be based on knowledge of the client's business.
- (v) Correct: According to SA-300, "Planning an Audit of Financial Statements", planning is not a discrete phase of an audit, but rather a continual and iterative process that often begins shortly after (or in connection with) the completion of the previous audit and continues until the completion of the current audit engagement.
- (vi) Incorrect: The auditor may include copies of the entity's records (for example, significant and specific contracts and agreements) as part of audit documentation. Audit documentation is not a substitute for the entity's accounting records.
- (vii) Incorrect: SQC 1 "Quality Control for Firms that perform Audits and Review of Historical Financial Information, and other Assurance and related services", requires firms to establish policies and procedures for the timely completion of the assembly of audit files. An appropriate time limit within which to complete the assembly of the final audit file is ordinarily not more than 60 days after the date of the auditor's report.
- (viii) Incorrect: When the auditor has determined that an assessed risk of material misstatement at the assertion level is a significant risk, the auditor shall perform substantive procedures that are specifically responsive to that risk. When the approach to a significant risk consists only of substantive procedures, those procedures shall include tests of details.

# Answer 2:

- (a) Aspects to be covered in Audit: The Principal Aspect to Be Covered in an Audit Concerning Final Statements of Account are the Following:
  - (i) An examination of the system of accounting and internal control to ascertain whether it is appropriate for the business and helps in properly recording all transactions. This is followed by such tests and enquiries as are considered necessary to ascertain whether the system is in actual operation. These steps are necessary to form an opinion as to whether reliance can be placed on the records as a basis for the preparation of final statements of account.
  - (ii) Reviewing the system and procedures to find out whether they are adequate and comprehensive and incidentally whether material inadequacies and weaknesses exist to allow frauds and errors going unnoticed.
  - (iii) Checking of the arithmetical accuracy of the books of account by the verification of postings, balances, etc.
  - (iv) Verification of the authenticity and validity of transaction entered into by making an examination of the entries in the books of accounts with the relevant supporting documents.
  - (v) Ascertaining that a proper distinction has been made between items of capital and of revenue nature and that the amounts of various items of income and expenditure adjusted in the accounts corresponding to the accounting period.

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- (vi) Comparison of the balance sheet and profit and loss account or other statements with the underlying record in order to see that they are in accordance therewith.
- (vii) Verification of the title, existence and value of the assets appearing in the balance sheet.
- (viii) Verification of the liabilities stated in the balance sheet.
- (ix) Checking the result shown by the profit and loss and to see whether the results shown are true and fair.
- (x) Where audit is of a corporate body, confirming that the statutory requirements have been complied with.
- (xi) Reporting to the appropriate person/body whether the statements of account examined do reveal a true and fair view of the state of affairs and of the profit and loss of the organisation.

#### **Answer:**

(b) Appointment of Subsequent Auditors in case of Non Government Companies: Section 139(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 provides that every company shall, at the first annual general meeting appoint an individual or a firm as an auditor who shall hold office from the conclusion of that meeting till the conclusion of its sixth annual general meeting and thereafter till the conclusion of every sixth meeting.

The following points need to be noted in this regard-

- (i) The company shall place the matter relating to such appointment of ratification by member at every Annual General Meeting.
- (ii) Before such appointment is made, the written consent of the auditor to such appointment, and a certificate from him or it that the appointment, if made, shall be in accordance with the conditions as may be prescribed, shall be obtained from the auditor.
- (iii) The certificate shall also indicate whether the auditor satisfies the criteria provided in section 141.
- (iv) The company shall inform the auditor concerned of his or its appointment, and also file a notice of such appointment with the Registrar within 15 days of the meeting in which the auditor is appointed.

# Answer:

- (c) Reliability of Internal Control System in CIS Environment: For evaluating the reliability of internal control system in CIS environment, the auditor would consider the following-
  - (i) That authorised, correct and complete data is made available for processing.
  - (ii) That it provides for timely detection and corrections of errors.
  - (iii) That in case of interruption due to mechanical, power or processing failures, the system restarts without distorting the completion of entries and records.
  - (iv) That it ensures the accuracy and completeness of output.
  - (v) That it provides security to application softwares & data files against fraud
  - (vi) That it prevents unauthorised amendments to programs.

# **Answer:**

(d) Reporting under Section 143(3)(f) of the Act: Section 143(3)(f) of the Act states that –

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"The auditor's report shall also state the observations or comments of the auditors" on financial transactions or matters which have any adverse effect on the functioning  $\mid \{1 \text{ M}\}$ of the company;"

Clause (f) requires the auditor to report "the observations or comments of the auditors on financial transactions or matters which have any adverse effect on the functioning of the company". An auditor's report may contain matters leading to modifications to the auditor's opinion or emphasis of matter in the auditor's report on the financial statements. Such matters may be related to issues which may have an \{1 M} adverse effect on the functioning of the company. The words "observations" or "comments" as appearing in clause (f) of section 143(3) are construed to have the same meaning as referring to "emphasis of matter paragraphs, situations leading to modification in the auditor's report. Accordingly, the auditor should have made an "observation" or "comment" in the auditor's report in order to determine the need to report under clause (f) of section 143(3). Therefore, only such "observations" or "comments" of the auditors on financial transactions or matters that have been made by the auditor in the auditor's report which have an adverse effect on the functioning of the company are required to be reported under this clause. For the sake of clarity, it may be noted that neither the auditor's observations nor the comments made by him have any adverse effect on the functioning of a company. These observations or comments made by the auditor might contain matters which might have an adverse effect on the functioning of a company.

# Answer 3:

Reliability of Audit Evidence: SA 500 on "Audit Evidence" provides that the reliability (a) of information to be used as audit evidence, and therefore of the audit evidence itself, is influenced by its source and its nature, and the circumstances under which it is obtained, including the controls over its preparation and maintenance where relevant. Therefore, generalisations about the reliability of various kinds of audit evidence are subject to important exceptions. Even when information to be used as audit evidence is obtained from sources external to the entity, circumstances may exist that could affect its reliability. For example, information obtained from an independent external source may not be reliable if the source is not knowledgeable, or a management's expert may lack objectivity. While recognising that exceptions may exist, the following generalisations about the reliability of audit evidence may be useful:

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- The reliability of audit evidence is increased when it is obtained from (1)independent sources outside the entity.
- The reliability of audit evidence that is generated internally is increased when (2) the related controls, including those over its preparation and maintenance, imposed by the entity are effective.
- Audit evidence obtained directly by the auditor (for example, observation of (3) the application of a control) is more reliable than audit evidence obtained indirectly or by inference (for example, inquiry about the application of a control).

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- Audit evidence in documentary form, whether paper, electronic, or other (4) medium, is more reliable than evidence obtained orally (for example, a contemporaneously written record of a meeting is more reliable than a subsequent oral representation of the matters discussed).
- (5) Audit evidence provided by original documents is more reliable than audit evidence provided by photocopies or facsimiles, or documents that have been

filmed, digitized or otherwise transformed into electronic form, the reliability of which may depend on the controls over their preparation and maintenance.

# **Answer:**

- **(b)** The Special Steps Involved in the Audit of an Educational Institution are the following:
  - (i) Examine the Trust Deed, or Regulations in the case of school or college and note all the provisions affecting accounts. In the case of a university, refer to the Act of Legislature and the Regulations framed thereunder.
  - (ii) Read through the minutes of the meetings of the Managing Committee or Governing Body, noting resolutions affecting accounts to see that these have been duly complied with, specially the decisions as regards the operation of bank accounts and sanctioning of expenditure.
  - (iii) Check names entered in the Students' Fee Register for each month or term, with the respective class registers, showing names of students on rolls and test amount of fees charged; and verify that there operates a system of internal check which ensures that demands against the students are properly raised.
  - (iv) Check fees received by comparing counterfoils of receipts granted with entries in the cash book and tracing the collections in the Fee Register to confirm that the revenue from this source has been duly accounted for.
  - (v) Total up the various columns of the Fees Register for each month or term to ascertain that fees paid in advance have been carried forward and the arrears that are irrecoverable have been written off under the sanction of an appropriate authority.
  - (vi) Check admission fees with admission slips signed by the head of the institution and confirm that the amount had been credited to a Capital Fund, unless the Managing Committee has taken a decision to the contrary.
  - (vii) See that free studentship and concessions have been granted by a person authorised to do so, having regard to the prescribed Rules.
  - (viii) Confirm that fines for late payment or absence, etc., have either been collected or remitted under proper authority.
  - (ix) Confirm that hostel dues were recovered before students' accounts were closed and their deposits of caution money refunded.
  - (x) Verify rental income from landed property with the rent rolls, etc.
  - (xi) Vouch income from endowments and legacies, as well as interest and dividends from investment; also inspect the securities in respect of investments held.
  - (xii) Verify any Government or local authority grant with the relevant papers of grant. If any expense has been disallowed for purposes of grant, ascertain the reasons and compliance thereof.
  - (xiii) Report any old heavy arrears on account of fees, dormitory rents, etc, to the Managing Committee.
  - (xiv) Confirm that caution money and other deposits paid by students on admission have been shown as liability in the balance sheet and not transferred to revenue.
  - (xv) See that the investments representing endowment funds for prizes are kept separate and any income in excess of the prizes has been accumulated and invested along with the corpus.

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- (xvi) Verify that the Provident Fund money of the staff has been invested in 7 appropriate securities.
- (xvii) Vouch donations, if any, with the list published with the annual report. If some donations were meant for any specific purpose, see that the money was utilised for the purpose.
- (xviii) Vouch all capital expenditure in the usual way and verify the same with the sanction for the Committee as contained in the minute book.
- Vouch in the usual manner all establishment expenses and enquire into any (xix) unduly heavy expenditure under any head.
- See that increase in the salaries of the staff have been sanctioned and (xx) minuted by the Committee.
- Ascertain that the system ordering inspection on receipt and issue of (xxi) provisions, foodstuffs, clothing and other equipment is efficient and all bills are duly authorised and passed before payment.
- (xxii) Verify the inventories of furniture, stationery, clothing, provision and all equipment, etc. These should be checked by reference to Inventory Register and values applied to various items should be test checked.
- (xxiii) Confirm that the refund of taxes deducted from the income from investment (interest on securities, etc.) has been claimed and recovered since the institutions are generally exempted from the payment of income-tax.
- (xxiv) Verify the annual statements of accounts and while doing so see that separate statements of account have been prepared as regards Poor Boys Fund, Games Fund, Hostel and Provident Fund of Staff, etc.

# **Answer:**

External Confirmation as an Audit Procedure: SA 505, "External Confirmations", lays (c) down standards for external confirmation of balances. External confirmations are frequently used in relation to account balances and their components but need not be restricted to these items. For example, the auditor may request external confirmation of the terms of agreements or transactions an entity has with third parties. The confirmation request is designed to ask if any modifications have been made to the agreement, and if so, the relevant details thereof. Other areas where external confirmations may be used include the following:

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- Bank balances and other information from bankers.
- Accounts receivable balances.
- Inventories held by third parties.
- Property title deeds held by third parties.
- Investments purchased but delivery not taken.
- Loans from lenders.
- Accounts payable balances.
- Long outstanding share application money.

Answer 4:

- Modification of Opinion: The auditor shall modify the opinion in the auditor's (a) (a) report when-
  - The auditor concludes that, based on the audit evidence obtained, the financial statements as a whole are not free from material  $\lfloor \{2M\} \rfloor$ misstatement; or

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The auditor is unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to (ii) conclude that the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement.

(b) Disclaimer of Opinion: The auditor shall disclaim an opinion when the auditor is unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence on which to base the opinion, and the auditor concludes that the possible effects on the financial statements of undetected misstatements, if any, could be both material and pervasive.

The auditor shall disclaim an opinion when, in extremely rare circumstances involving multiple uncertainties, the auditor concludes that, notwithstanding having obtained sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding each of the individual uncertainties, it is not possible to form an opinion on the financial statements due to the potential interaction of the uncertainties and their possible cumulative effect on the financial statements.

- (c) Adverse Opinion: The auditor shall express an adverse opinion when the auditor, having obtained sufficient appropriate audit evidence, concludes that misstatements, individually or in the aggregate, are both material and pervasive to the financial statements.
- (d) Qualified Opinion: The auditor shall express a qualified opinion when-
  - (i) The auditor, having obtained sufficient appropriate audit evidence, concludes that misstatements, individually or in the aggregate, are material, but not pervasive, to the financial statements; or
  - (ii) The auditor is unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence on which to base the opinion, but the auditor concludes that the possible effects on the financial statements of undetected misstatements, if any, could be material but not pervasive.

# **Answer:**

Emphasis of Matter paragraph – A paragraph included in the auditor's report that refers to a matter appropriately presented or disclosed in the financial statements that, in the auditor's judgment, is of such importance that it is fundamental to users' understanding of the financial statements.

# **Emphasis of Matter Paragraphs in the Auditor's Report**

If the auditor considers it necessary to draw users' attention to a matter presented or disclosed in the financial statements that, in the auditor's judgment, is of such importance that it is fundamental to users' understanding of the financial statements, the auditor shall include an Emphasis of Matter paragraph in the auditor's report provided:

- (a) The auditor would not be required to modify the opinion in accordance with SA 705 (Revised) as a result of the matter; and
- (b) When SA 701 applies, the matter has not been determined to be a key audit matter to be communicated in the auditor's report.

# Separate section for Emphasis of Matter paragraph When the auditor includes an Emphasis of Matter paragraph in the auditor's report, the auditor shall:

- (a) Include the paragraph within a separate section of the auditor's report with an appropriate heading that includes the term "Emphasis of Matter";
- (b) Include in the paragraph a clear reference to the matter being emphasized and to where relevant disclosures that fully describe the matter can be found in the financial statements. The paragraph shall refer only to information presented or disclosed in the financial statements; and
- (c) Indicate that the auditor's opinion is not modified in respect of the matter emphasized.

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# **Answer:**

#### **Going Concern Basis of Accounting** (c)

Under the going concern basis of accounting, the financial statements are prepared on the assumption that the entity is a going concern and will continue its operations for the foreseeable future. When the use of the going concern basis of | {1 M} accounting is appropriate, assets and liabilities are recorded on the basis that the entity will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

Objectives of the auditor regarding going concern are:

- To obtain written representations from management and, where (i) appropriate, those charged with governance that they believe that they have fulfilled their responsibility for the preparation of the financial statements and for the completeness of the information provided to the auditor;
- (ii) To support other audit evidence relevant to the financial statements or specific assertions in the financial statements by means of written representations, if determined necessary by the auditor or required by other SAs; and
- (iii) To respond appropriately to written representations provided by management and, where appropriate, those charged with governance, or if management or, where appropriate, those charged with governance do not provide the written representations requested by the auditor

# Answer 5:

#### Audit Procedure Regarding Events Occurring Between The Date Of The (a) Financial Statements And The Date Of The Auditor's Report

The auditor shall perform audit procedures designed to obtain sufficient appropriate | {1 m} audit evidence that all events occurring between the date of the financial statements and the date of the auditor's report that require adjustment of, or disclosure in, the financial statements have been identified.

The auditor is not, however, expected to perform additional audit procedures on matters to which previously applied audit procedures have provided satisfactory conclusions.

The auditor shall perform the procedures required above so that they cover the  $\{1 M\}$ period from the date of the financial statements to the date of the auditor's report, or as near as practicable thereto. The auditor shall take into account the auditor's risk assessment which shall include the following:

- Obtaining an understanding of any procedures management has (a) established to ensure that subsequent events are identified.
- Inquiring of management and, where appropriate, those charged with (b) governance as to whether any subsequent events have occurred which might affect the financial statements.
- (c) Reading minutes, if any, of the meetings, of the entity's owners, management and those charged with governance, that have been held after the date of the financial statements and inquiring about matters discussed at any such meetings for which minutes are not yet available.
- (d) Reading the entity's latest subsequent interim financial statements, if any.

# Answer:

Self-interest threats, which occur when an auditing firm, its partner or (b) associate could benefit from a financial interest in an audit client. Examples include (i) direct financial interest or materially significant indirect financial interest in a client, (ii) loan or guarantee to or from the concerned client, (iii)

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undue dependence on a client's fees and, hence, concerns about losing the engagement, (iv) close business relationship with an audit client, (v) potential employment with the client, and (vi) contingent fees for the audit engagement.

- 2. Self-review threats, which occur when during a review of any judgement or conclusion reached in a previous audit or non-audit engagement (Non audit services include any professional services provided to an entity by an auditor, other than audit or review of the financial statements. These include management services, internal audit, investment advisory service, design and implementation of information technology systems etc.), or when a member of the audit team was previously a director or senior employee of the client. Instances where such threats come into play are (i) when an auditor having recently been a director or senior officer of the company, and (ii) when auditors perform services that are themselves subject matters of audit.
- 3. Advocacy threats, which occur when the auditor promotes, or is perceived to promote, a client's opinion to a point where people may believe that objectivity is getting compromised, e.g. when an auditor deals with shares or securities of the audited company, or becomes the client's advocate in litigation and third party disputes.
- 4. Familiarity threats are self-evident, and occur when auditors form relationships with the client where they end up being too sympathetic to the client's interests. This can occur in many ways: (i) close relative of the audit team working in a senior position in the client company, (ii) former partner of the audit firm being a director or senior employee of the client, (iii) long association between specific auditors and their specific client counterparts, and (iv) acceptance of significant gifts or hospitality from the client company, its directors or employees.
- 5. Intimidation threats, which occur when auditors are deterred from acting objectively with an adequate degree of professional skepticism. Basically, these could happen because of threat of replacement over disagreements with the application of accounting principles, or pressure to disproportionately reduce work in response to reduced audit fees.

# **Answer:**

- (c) (i) The advantages of statistical sampling may be summarized as follows -
  - (1) The amount of testing (sample size) does not increase in proportion to the increase in the size of the area (universe) tested.
  - (2) The sample selection is more objective and thereby more defensible.
  - (3) The method provides a means of estimating the minimum sample size associated with a specified risk and precision.
  - (4) It provides a means for deriving a "calculated risk" and corresponding precision (sampling error) i.e. the probable difference in result due to the use of a sample in lieu of examining all the records in the group (universe), using the same audit procedures.
  - (5) It may provide a better description of a large mass of data than a complete examination of all the data, since non-sampling errors such as processing and clerical mistakes are not as large.

    Under some audit circumstances, statistical sampling methods may not be appropriate. The auditor should not attempt to use statistical sampling when another approach is either necessary or will provide satisfactory information in less time or with less effort, for instance when exact accuracy is required or in case of legal requirements etc.

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The decision whether to use a statistical or non-statistical sampling approach is a matter for the auditor's judgment; however, sample size is not a valid criterion to distinguish between statistical and nonstatistical approaches.

**Stratified Sampling:** This method involves dividing the whole population (ii) to be tested in a few separate groups called strata and taking a sample from each of them. Each stratum is treated as if it was a separate population and if proportionate of items are selected from each of these stratum. The number of groups into which the whole population has to be divided is determined on the basis of auditor judgment.

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The reasoning behind the stratified sampling is that for a highly diversified population, weights should be allocated to reflect these differences. This is achieved by selecting different proportions from each strata. It can be seen {1 M} that the stratified sampling is simply an extension of simple random sampling. Therefore, we can say that random selection method is applied through random number generators, for example, random number tables).

## **Answer:**

- When auditing in an automated environment, the following testing methods are ] (d) used:
  - (a) Inquiry
  - (b) Observation

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- (c) Inspection
- (d) Reperformance

A combination of inquiry and inspection is generally the most effective and efficient testing method. However, determining the most effective and efficient testing method is a matter of professional judgement and depends on the several factors \{1 M\} including risk assessment, control environment, desired level of evidence required, history of errors/misstatements, complexity of business, assertions being addressed.

# Answer 6:

- Not prudent to follow stages of asset classification. It should be straight-away (a) classified as doubtful or loss asset as appropriate.
  - Erosion in the value of security can be reckoned as significant when the realisable value of the security is less than 50 per cent of the value assessed by the bank or accepted by RBI at the time of last inspection, as the case may be. Such NPAs may be straight-away classified under doubtful category and provisioning should be made as applicable to doubtful assets.

(ii) If the realisable value of the security, as assessed by the bank/ approved valuers/ RBI is less than 10 per cent of the outstanding in the borrowal accounts, the existence of security should be ignored and the asset should be  $\{1^{1/2} M\}$ straight-away classified as loss asset. It may be either written off or fully provided for by the bank.

#### **Answer:**

Planning an audit involves establishing the overall audit strategy for the engagement (b) and developing an audit plan. Adequate planning benefits the audit of financial {1 M} statements in several ways, including the following:

- 1. Helping the auditor to devote appropriate attention to important areas of the
- 2. Helping the auditor identify and resolve potential problems on a timely basis.
- Helping the auditor properly organize and manage the audit engagement so 3.

that it is performed in an effective and efficient manner.

4. Assisting in the selection of engagement team members with appropriate levels of capabilities and competence to respond to anticipated risks, and the proper assignment of work to them.

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- 5. Facilitating the direction and supervision of engagement team members and the review of their work.
- 6. Assisting, where applicable, in coordination of work done by auditors of components and experts.

### **Answer:**

(c) The nature of the comparative information that is presented in an entity's financial statements depends on the requirements of the applicable financial reporting framework. There are two different broad approaches to the auditor's reporting responsibilities in respect of such comparative information: corresponding figures and comparative financial statements. The approach to be adopted is often specified by law or regulation but may also be specified in the terms of engagement.

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The essential audit reporting differences between the approaches are:

- (a) For corresponding figures, the auditor's opinion on the financial statements refers to the current period only; whereas
- (b) For comparative financial statements, the auditor's opinion refers to each period for which financial statements are presented.

Definition of Comparative information – The amounts and disclosures included in the financial statements in respect of one or more prior periods in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

Audit Procedures regarding comparative information

The auditor shall determine whether the financial statements include the comparative information required by the applicable financial reporting framework and whether such information is appropriately classified. For this purpose, the auditor shall evaluate whether:

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- (a) The comparative information agrees with the amounts and other disclosures presented in the prior period; and
- (b) The accounting policies reflected in the comparative information are consistent with those applied in the current period or, if there have been changes in accounting policies, whether those changes have been properly accounted for and adequately presented and disclosed.

# **Answer:**

(d) No Intangible asset arising from research (or from the research phase of an internal project) shall be recognised. Expenditure on research shall be recognised as an expense when it is incurred since in the research phase of an internal project, an entity c annot demonstrate that an intangible asset exists that will generate probable future economic benefits. Thus, board of directors of PQR Ltd cannot recognize the expense as internally generated intangible asset.

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An intangible asset shall be recognised if, and only if:

- (i) the said asset is identifiable;
- (ii) the entity controls the asset i.e. the entity has the power to obtain the future economic benefits flowing from the underlying resource and to restrict the access of others to those benefits;

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- (iii) it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the asset will flow to the entity;
- (iv) the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

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