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a) FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

1. Bank A in India quotes ₹/ \$ = 45.10/ 46.00
 - a. An Indian firm has imported goods from US and needs to pay \$ 10, 00,000. What amount of ₹ would be required?
 - b. An American student has to pay ₹ 5, 00,000 for an Indian course. What amount of \$ would be required?
 - c. An Indian company has surplus funds of ₹ 40, 00,000 and wants to invest in US. It therefore needs to convert Rupee into \$. What amount of \$ will it get?
2. Bank A, B & C provide the following quotes

Bank A	₹/ £	91.40/ 91.70
Bank B	₹/ \$	42.50/ 43.10
Bank C	\$/ £	2.1040/ 2.1070

Show the process of **3 way arbitrage** which starts by selling ₹ 10000 to Bank A.
3. Given the following:

\$/£	1.3670/1.3708
SFr/DM	1.0030/1.0078
\$/SFr	0.8790/0.8803

And if, DM/£ in the market are 1.5560/1.5576, find out if any arbitrage opportunity exist. If so, how can \$ 10000 available with you be used to generate risk-less profit?
4. Consider the following quotations by 3 banks.

A	\$/ £	2.1050/ 2.1090
B	€/ £	1.8950/ 1.9010
C	\$/ €	1.0150/1.0180

Check for **3 way arbitrage** and carry out the same using £ 10000. (Use Cross rates)
5. Based on six month forward rate of ₹ 42.60, the annualised forward discount on \$ happens to be 10%. Find out the spot rate.
6. Based on three month forward rate of \$ 2.1020/ £. The annualised forward premium on \$ against £ happens to be 12%. Find out the spot rate.
7. Given spot

₹/ \$ = 42
6 month forward ₹/ \$ = 42.80

 - a. Find out the annualised forward premium/ discount on \$ against ₹
 - b. Find out the annualised forward premium/ discount on ₹ against \$.
8. Based on the 3 month forward rate of ₹ 85.70/ £, the annualised forward premium on £ against ₹ Happens to be 9%.
Find out the annualised forward premium/ discount against £ based on 6 month forward rate of ₹ 89/ £.

9. Based on the 3 month forward rate of ₹ 51.65/ €, the annualised forward premium on € against ₹ Happened to be 4%. Find out the 6 month forward rate (₹/ €) given that the annualised discount on ₹ against € based on 6 month forward rate is 7%.

10. An Indian firm has imported goods from Europe and has a payable of € 40000, 3 months from now. To cover the payable, in the forward market, it approaches its banker. The banker informs that ₹/ € rates are not directly available in India. So the bank decides to arrange a synthetic ₹/ € rate with the help of the rates quoted in Mumbai and New York.

Mumbai Spot ₹/ \$ 42.50/ 20
3 month swap points 80/ 90

New York Spot \$/ € 1.1050/ 80
3 month swap points 120/ 110

Find out the synthetic 3 month forward rate ₹/ € rate that will be quoted to the Indian firm if the bank requires an exchange margin of 0.3%.

11. An Indian company based at Mumbai needs short term funds of ₹ 50 million for a period of 3 months. The company collected the following information from its banker:

₹ / \$	₹ / £	
Spot	48.50/ 55	74.05/ 10
3 month forward	45/ 50	85/ 90

3-month interest rates p.a.

₹ 9%

\$ 4%

£ 6%

You are required to calculate the annualized effective cost of borrowing,

- If the company borrows in USD and
 - Covers the exchange rate risk through forward market
 - Keeps the position open and the spot rate after 3 months turns out to be ₹/ \$ 48.90/ 95.
- If the company borrows in pounds and
 - Covers the exchange rate risk through forward market
 - Keeps the position open and spot rate after 3 months turns out to be ₹/ £ 74.75/ 80.

12. Spot rate is ₹ 52/ € and annualised forward premium on € against ₹ based on 6 month forward happens to be 8%. If six month € interest rate is 5% p.a. Find out the ₹ interest rate.

13. Given 3 month forward rate ₹ 52/ €.

3 month interest rates

₹ 8% p.a.

€ 4% p.a.

Find out the spot rate.

14. Based on 3 month forward rate of ₹ 86/ £, the annualised forward discount on ₹ against £ happens to be 5%. Find out the £ interest rate given that 3 month ₹ interest rate is 9% p.a.

15. Given Spot rate ₹ 42.50/ \$
6 month forward rate ₹ 43.10/ \$

6 month ₹ interest rate 10% p.a.
Find out the dollar interest rate as per IRP.

16. Given Spot rate ₹ 42/ \$
3 month forward rate ₹ 42.7/ \$

Three month interest rate p.a.

₹ 12%

\$ 7%

Check for IRP and carry out **covered Interest arbitrage** using \$1000 or ₹ 42000.

17. Given Spot (₹/ \$) = 46.2
3 month forward rate = 47.2
3 month ₹ interest rate = 8% p.a.
3 month \$ interest rate = 2 %

Check for **covered interest rate arbitrage** opportunity for the Indian investor and the US investor.

18. Spot rate ₹/ \$ 42.20/ 42.55
6 month forward rate ₹/ \$ 42.70/ 42.95
6 month interest rate (p.a.)
₹ 11%/ 12%
\$ 6%/ 7%

Check for arbitrage from both the Indian and US investor's point of view. Begin with 10000 units of currency.

19. An Indian firm has \$ 100000 payable and £ 200000 receivable 3 months from now.

Given spot ₹/ \$ 43.50/ 43.80
3 month swap points 20/ 30
Spot \$/ £ 2.1045/ 2.1065
3 month swap points 110/ 90

3 month interest rates p.a.

₹ 10%/ 11%

£ 7%/ 8%

\$ 4%/ 5%

How should the firm hedge the payable and receivable – **Forward Cover or Money market Cover?**

20. An importer in UK has a payable of Euro 500,000 after 3 months. He has collected the following information from his banker.

Euro/ £ Spot: 1.4200/ 1.4210

3 month forward: 1.4245/ 1.4256

3 month interest rates p.a.

Euro: 2.60% - 2.80%

£ 3.00% - 3.20%

Which of the following would you recommend for covering the exposure through?

- Forward market
- Money market