

## AJANAKU PLC

### 1. Profitability ratio

#### a. Return on Capital Employed:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ROCE} &= \frac{\text{Profit before interest and taxation}}{\text{Capital Employed}} \times 100 \\ \text{ROCE} &= \frac{220000}{9000000} \times 100 \\ &= 24.40\% \end{aligned}$$

#### b. Return on Equity/return on shareholder capital

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ROE} &= \frac{\text{Profit after taxation and preference dividend}}{\text{share capital and reserves (excluding pref. share capital)}} \times 100 \\ \text{ROE} &= \frac{112000}{700000} \times 100 \\ &= 16\% \end{aligned}$$

#### c. Operating profit margin = $\frac{\text{Profit after interest and taxation}}{\text{revenue/sale}} \times 100$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{112000}{2000000} \times 100 \\ &= 5.60\% \end{aligned}$$

#### D. Gross Profit Margin : $\frac{\text{Gross profit}}{\text{revenue/sales}} \times 100$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{500000}{2000000} \times 100 \\ &= 25\% \end{aligned}$$

2. Liquidity Ratios

a. Current Ratio: current assets

current liabilities

760000

700000

1.09%

1.09:1

b. Acid-Test Ratio: current asset - inventories

current liabilities

760000-500000

700000

260000

700000

0.37

0.37:1

### 3. Working Capital Efficiency Ratio

a. Average collection period =  $\frac{\text{Trade Receivables} \times 12 \text{ months}}{\text{Credit sales}}$

$$\frac{220,000 \times 365 \text{ days}}{2,000,000} = 36.5 = 37 \text{ days}$$

b. Average payable period =  $\frac{\text{Trade payables} \times 365 \text{ days}}{\text{purchases}}$

$$\frac{172,800 \times 365 \text{ days}}{1,080,000} = 58.4 = 58 \text{ days}$$

c. Inventory turnover period =  $\frac{\text{Inventory} \times 365 \text{ days}}{\text{cost of sale}}$

$$\frac{500,000 \times 365}{1,500,000} = 121.67 = 122 \text{ days}$$

### **B. Liquidity Ratio**

the acid- test ratio of Ajanaku plc is very low and would not be easily convertible to cash to pay off its current liabilities or meet its short term obligations.

Ajanaku plc may not be able to meet its short term debts at short notice if it sells off its liquid assets. The current ratio shows that the company has relatively low resources to pay its debt over the next twelve months.

### **Profitability ratio**

The profitability ratio of Ajanaku plc shows that the firm is efficient in generating profit from every unit of shareholders equity. its return on both equity and capital employed is high, the profit margin shows that the company is efficient in using its resources and generates high income from its operations. Also, looking at the company's gross profit margin indicates that the company efficiently manages its cost of production and may have money leftover to spend on other business operations like, marketing, research and development etc.

### **Working Capital Efficiency Ratio**

The inventory turn over period shows that the company takes too long to sell and replace inventory during a period, otherwise, the other ratios are of reasonable standards.

### **COMPARISON**

The liquidity ratio is too low compared with the profitability ratio, this will mean that the company may become burdened with debt and may face default risk which the profit the company is making will not suffice, in paying those debts. The liquidity ratio is also low in comparison with the working capital efficiency ratio because the company does not have enough liquid assets which will also affect working capital. The company is making high profits, but has weaknesses in its working capital efficiency and liquidity ratio. The company must improve in these areas to maintain its growth and continue. urrent liabilities or meet its short term obligations.