Correspondence Course

Paper 1.3: Financial Management

The objective of this course is to help students understand the concepts and techniques of Financial Management.

- Unit 1: Financial Management: Meaning, nature and scope of finance; Financial goal Profit vs. Wealth maximisation, Finance functions-investment, financing dividend decisions.
- Unit 2: Capital Budgeting: Nature of investment decisions; investment evaluation criteria- time value of money concepts, net present value, internal rate of return, profitability index, payback period, accounting rate of return; NPV and IRR comparison; Capital rationing; Risk analysis in capital budgeting.
- Unit 3: Cost of Capital: Meaning and significance of cost of capital; Calculation of cost of debt, preference capital, equity capital and retained earnings; Combined cost of capital (weighted); Cost of equity and CAPM.
- Unit 4: Operating and Financial Leverage: Measurement of leverages; effects of operating and financial leverage on profit; Analysing alternate financial plans; combined financial and operating leverage.
- Unit 5: Capital Structure Theories: Assumptions-Net Income approach-Net operating Income approach-optimal capital structure-Modgliani-Miller approach(MM)-Basic propositions-Assumptions-limitations- Traditional approach-Pecking order theory-Trade off theory.
- Unit 6: Dividend Policies: issues in dividend decisions, Walter's model, Gordon's model, M.M hypothesis, dividend and uncertainty, relevance of dividend; Dividend policy in practice; forms of dividends; stability in dividend policy; corporate dividend behaviour.
- Unit 7: Management of Working Capital: Meaning, significance and types of working capital; calculating operating cycle period and estimation of working capital requirements; financing of working capital and norms of bank finance; sources of working capital; factoring services; various committee reports on bank finance; dimensions of working capital management.

Unit 8: Management of cash, receivables and inventory, supply chain finance, (EVA) concepts. Economic value added concepts, MVA. Risk-return relationship

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