

COM-DSE-HC-6036(A):FUNDAMENTALS OF INVESTMENT

Marks: 100 Credit: 6 Lectures: 65

Objective: To familiarize the students with different investment alternatives, introduce them to the framework of their analysis and valuation and highlight the role of investor protection.

Contents

Unit 1: The Investment Environment (10 Lectures)

The investment decision process, Types of Investments – Commodities, Real Estate and Financial Assets, the Indian securities market, the market participants and trading of securities, security market indices, sources of financial information, Concept of return and risk, Impact of Taxes and Inflation on return.

Unit 2: Fixed Income Securities (15 Lectures)

Bond features, types of bonds, estimating bond yields, Bond Valuation types of bond risks, default risk and credit rating.

Unit 3: Approaches to Equity Analysis (15 Lectures)

Introductions to Fundamental Analysis, Technical Analysis and Efficient Market Hypothesis, dividend capitalisation models, and price-earnings multiple approach to equity valuation.

Unit 4: Portfolio Analysis and Financial Derivatives (15 Lectures)

Portfolio and Diversification, Portfolio Risk and Return; Mutual Funds; Introduction to Financial Derivatives; Financial Derivatives Markets in India

Unit 5: Investor Protection (10 Lectures)

Role of SEBI and stock exchanges in investor protection; Investor grievances and their redressal system, insider trading, investors' awareness and activism