SEMESTER IV

FINANCIAL MODELING

1. Course Description

Programme: M. Com (Finance and Analytics)

Course Code:P24/COM/DSE/401/P Max Hours: 105
Type of course: DSE Max Marks: 100

No. Of Credits 5 Hours per week: 3T+4P hrs

2. Course Objectives

- To enable students to present management information and key performance indicators in a decision-oriented manner
- To gain expertise in spreadsheet functions and tools to build efficient models and use of scenario analysis.
- **3. Course Outcome:** At the end of the course, the student will be able to
- CO 1 Explain what financial models are and understand how to use various Excel functions to prepare a model.
- CO 2 Apply different methods to prepare and present a financial model visually.
- CO 3 creating models using forecasting techniques to aid in an organization's financial planning
- CO 4 Analyse various business scenarios and prepare a sensitivity report
- CO 5 Understand the process of developing a usable dynamic financial model.

4. Course Content

MODULE I: INTRODUCTION

(21 Hrs)

Concept of financial Modeling- difference between spread sheet and model-types and purposes of financial model-skills required for a good modeller- best practices in spread sheet design-tool selection- Excel for financial modeling:

Excel features-financial – logical- statistical - mathematical, lookup reference. Custom formatting- shortcuts- array functions - pivot tables analysis – Tool pak-nested-cell references -named ranges-working with dates-linking external file- Useful windows keyboard shortcuts for financial modellers

MODULE II: BUILDING AND PRESENTING A MODEL

(21 Hrs)

Attributes of a good model- documenting excel model-debugging excel model- error avoidance strategies -using formula auditing tools for debugging-learning modeling using excel-graphic and written presentation-chart types-bubble and waterfall charts-charting with two different axes

MODULE III: USES OF FINANCIAL MODELLING

(21 Hrs)

Basic financial forecasting- Forecasting Models: Review of forecasting methods; financial "drivers"; Adding forecasts to the case models. Depreciation- project finance- bond calculation-capital budgeting-BEP-variance-cash flow-cost of capital-(simple models building exercises)

MODULE IV: RISK MANAGEMENT, STRESS TESTING AND SCENARIO ANALYSIS AND SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS: (21 Hrs)

Risk analysis and management- Risk Techniques: Risk and multiple answers- Scenario techniques - advanced financial functions- adding sensitivity to the case model- Advanced scenario methods- Composite methods.

Understanding stress testing and scenario analysis and sensitivity analysis- difference between scenario- sensitivity and what if analysis-overview of scenario tools-advanced conditional formatting- model review and checklist (theory)

MODULE V: MANAGEMENT REPORTING AND MODEL COMPLETION (21 Hrs)

Management Reporting: Requirement to consolidate and summarize data- consolidating data from different sources- spread sheet report managers- pivot tables- Techniques for summarising data- producing a management analysis. Model Completion: Model review-rebuilding an inherited- removing redundant assumptions and source data –auditing a financial model- Documentation- Final audit.

Practicals

- Using excel functions with emphasis on array, pivot, nesting, goal seek
- Simple chart creation, understanding erroneous models, audit tool usage, simple bubble and waterfall charts.

- Depreciation- project finance- bond calculation-capital budgeting-BEP-variance-cash flow-cost of capital-Investment analysis-option pricing- decision tree-company valuation-(simple models building exercises).
- Sensitivity analysis in a model
- Preparing a report.

5. References:

- Alastair Day, Mastering Financial modeling in Microsoft Excel; Pearson, India Edition
- 2. Danielle Stein Fairhurst ,Using excel for business analysis, Wiley finance
- 3. Ragnar Lavas Et al ,Financial Modeling and Asset valuation with Excel; Routledge
- 4. S Benninga Financial Modeling, MIT Press.
- 5. Building Financial Models, John Tjia ,McGraw-Hill.

COMPUTER LAB BASED END SEMESTER TESTING

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Course Code: P24/COM/DSE/401/P Max Marks: 60

Credits: 5 Time: 2 ½ HOURS

SECTION A

I. COMPUTER BASED TESTING $5 \times 10 = 50 \text{ Marks}$

SECTION B

I. THEORY BASED QUESTIONS ON CONCEPTS $5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ Marks}$