

NCFM – Certification Course in Fundamental Analysis Syllabus Fundamental Analysis Module

> Fundamental Analysis: An introduction

- 1. What is fundamental analysis?
- 2. Why is fundamental analysis relevant for investing? Efficient Market Hypothesis (EMH), Arguments against EMH, Does fundamental analysis work?
- 3. Steps in Fundamental Analysis

Brushing up the Basics

- 1. Concept of "Time value of Money"
- Interest Rates and Discount Factors Opportunity cost, Risk-Free Rate, Equity Risk Premium, The Beta, Risk Adjusted Return (Sharpe Ratio)

> Understanding Financial Statements

- Where can one find financial statements The Director's Report, The Auditor's Report, Financial Statements: Balance Sheet, Income Statements, Schedules and Notes to the Accounts, Cash Flow Statement
- 2. Financial Statement Analysis and Forensic Accounting
- 3. Comparative and Common-size financial statements
- 4. Financial Ratios
- 5. Du-Pont Analysis
- 6. Cash Conversion cycle
- 7. The Satyam case and need for forensic accounting

Valuation Methodologies

- 1. Top-Down valuation (EIC Analysis) Economy, Industry, Company
- 2. Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) Models
- 3. Dividend Discount Model (DDM)

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- 4. Free Cash Flow to Firm (FCFF) and Free Cash Flow to Equity (FCFE) based DCF
- 5. Sum of the parts (SOTP)
- 6. Price-to-Earnings (PE) ratio.
- 7. Price to Book Value PB Ratio.
- 8. EV/ EBITDA
- 9. Price to Sales (P/S) Ratio
- Special cases of valuation IPOs, Financial Services firms, Net interest mar with in (NIM), Firms negative cash flows, Acquisition valuation, Distressed companies



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