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Certified Wealth Management Professional Rules & Syllabus 2026

The Certified Wealth Management Professional (CWMP) has been introduced to create a cadre of financial planning and wealth management professionals to cater to the needs of the BFSI industry. This certification will be offered in the blended format i.e. examination in three subjects followed by mandatory training in one subject. This will replace the existing Advanced Wealth Management (AWM) course.

OBJECTIVES:

This course will offer deep expertise in financial planning, wealth management principles, investment techniques, asset allocation, estate planning, taxation, insurance and risk management, etc. This comprehensive course aims as under:

- i. To create a cadre of competent practitioners of financial advisors/ counselors in the BFSI industry
- ii. To provide candidates with competencies required to act as an Independent Financial Advisor.
- iii. To enable candidates to possess the needed skills and knowledge to understand clients' needs attitudes and fears.
- iv. To enable candidates to design appropriate finance planning strategies suitable to individual clients.
- v. To enable candidates to meet the client's wealth creation and wealth protection needs.
- vi. To enable candidates to attain high ethical and professional standards.

FOR WHOM

- i. Bank Employees
- ii. Insurance Professionals
- iii. People intending to be Financial Counsellors/ Advisors/ Planners

ELIGIBILITY

1. Members and Non-Members of the Institute
2. Graduate in any discipline

SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION:

- I. Financial Planning and Tax Planning
- II. Investment Planning, Asset Management and Regulatory Environment
- III. Risk Management & Insurance, Retirement & Estate Planning

TRAINING SUBJECT

The candidates, who have successfully passed the three certificate examinations, will have to undergo 3 days of training (virtual or physical) on the subject "***Development of Financial Plan***".

METHODOLOGY:

Course has two components viz.,

- a) Online examination for three subjects of 100 marks each based on a specially designed courseware on the three subjects
- b) Classroom Training of 3 days for the fourth subject

PASSING CRITERIA:

1. Minimum marks for pass in the subject is 50 out of 100.
2. Candidates securing at least 45 marks in each subject with an aggregate of 50% marks in all subjects of examination in a single attempt will also be declared as having completed the Examination.
3. Candidates will be allowed to retain credits for the subject they have passed in a attempt till the expiry of the time limit for passing the examination as mentioned below:

TIME LIMIT FOR PASSING THE EXAMINATION:

1. Candidates will be required to pass the examination within a time limit of 2 years or 4 attempts whichever is earlier. Time limit of 2 years will start from the date of application for first attempt. Subsequent attempts will be counted irrespective of whether a candidate appears/applies at any examination or otherwise.
2. Candidates not able to pass examination within stipulated time period of two years are required to re-enroll themselves afresh. Such candidates will not be granted credit/s for subject/s passed, if any, earlier.

EXAMINATION FEES*:

Particulars	For Members	For Non-Members
First attempt fee	Rs.4,000/- *	Rs.6,500/- *
Second attempt fee	Rs.2,000/- *	Rs.2,000/- *
Third attempt fee	Rs.2,000/- *	Rs.2,000/- *
Fourth attempt fee	Rs.2,000/- *	Rs.2,000/- *

* Plus Convenience charges and Taxes as applicable.

Please Note: Candidates are required to Register for every attempt separately.

As a measure to streamline the traffic for registration, Institute will charge regular examination fee to candidates who registers for the examination during the regular open period of registration. **For the extended days of registration, late fee of Rs.200 plus taxes, will be charged in addition to regular examination fee.** This extended days of registration, also gives candidates additional opportunity to register for the examination, having missed the regular open period of registration.

The fee once paid will **NOT** be refunded or adjusted on any account.

MEDIUM OF EXAMINATION:

Examination will be conducted in English only.

PATTERN OF EXAMINATION:

- (i) Question Paper will contain 100 objective type multiple choice questions including situation analysis/ problem based questions for a total of 100 marks. The Institute may however vary the number of questions to be asked for a subject
- (ii) The examination will be held in Online Mode only
- (iii) There will **NOT** be negative marking for wrong answers.

DURATION OF EXAMINATION:

The duration of the examination will be of 2 hours.

PERIODICITY AND EXAMINATION CENTRES:

- a) Examination will be conducted on pre-announced dates published on IIBF website. Institute conducts examination on half yearly basis, however periodicity of the examination may be changed depending upon the requirement of banking industry.
- b) List of Examination centers will be available on the website. (Institute will conduct examination in those centers where there are 20 or more candidates.)

“CLASS OF PASS” CRITERIA:

1. The Institute will consider the FIRST PHYSICAL ATTEMPT of the candidate at the examination as the first attempt for awarding class. In other words, the candidate should not have attempted any of the subject/s pertaining to the concerned examination any time in the past and has to pass all the subject as per the passing criteria and secure prescribed marks for awarding class. Candidates re-enrolling for the examination after exhausting all permissible attempts as per the time limit rule will be awarded Pass class.
2. First Class: 60% or more marks in aggregate and pass in all the subjects in the FIRST PHYSICAL ATTEMPT
3. First Class with Distinction: 70% or more marks in aggregate and 60 or more marks in each subject in the FIRST PHYSICAL ATTEMPT.
4. Pass Class: Candidates who do not fulfil any of the above criteria

TRAINING

Candidates who have successfully passed the examination will have to undergo training. For this purpose, the candidate, on passing the examination should log on to IIBF website - www.iibf.org.in and select his/her convenient slot for classroom/virtual classroom training of 3 days duration from the pre-determined dates and venue (in case of classroom training) at select centres announced by the Institute. During the classroom/virtual classroom training, candidates will be assessed (Internal assessment) for training performance for a total of 50 marks. Marks for training will be awarded to candidates by faculty for their training participation, analytical skills, case discussions, dealing ability, presentation skills etc.

Evaluation Process:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Weightage	Total Marks (Maximum)	Minimum Marks to be Obtained	Remarks
1	Attendance	50%	50	25 (50%)	Total 10 sessions (spread in three days). Attending minimum 5 sessions will be compulsory. This will correspond to 25 marks out of 50 (50%). On 1st day and 2nd day 4 sessions each and on 3rd day two sessions (4+4+2)
2	MCQs	50%	50	25 (50%)	The MCQ test will be at the end of the course. There will be a total 50 MCQs (1 mark each). Total 50 marks. A candidate has to obtain a minimum of 25 marks out of 50 (50%)
Total			100	50 (50%)	

The overall aggregate (attendance + marks in MCQs) to be obtained by a candidate will therefore be 50 (50%). However, if a candidate gets overall 50% with 30 marks in attendance (60%) and 40 % (i.e. 20 marks) in MCQs he/she will also be considered as passed. But vice versa is not permitted. In other words, a candidate should get minimum 20 marks in MCQs.

(b) Time Limit for Training

Virtual/ Classroom Training is required to be completed within 15 months from the date of declaration of the online examination results in which the candidate passes.

In case a candidate fails to complete the training either on account of not able to successfully complete the training or by not attending training within the stipulated period of 15 months, the candidate would be required to Re-enroll for the Online examination foregoing credit for the subject/s passed in the Online examination earlier in case he wants to complete the course.

(c) Upgradation from AWM to CWMP

Candidates who have passed the AWM course under the old syllabus and are interested in acquiring the CWMP certification have to first register for CWMP by paying a registration fee of Rs. 1000/- plus taxes (both members and non-members). Post this registration, the candidates will be eligible to register for the 3-day training program (virtual or physical) by making the requisite training fee payment, as tabled below. (**The registrations for upgrading from AWM to CWMP will commence in due course.**)

(d) Training Fees

The training fees for the course will need to be paid separately by the successful candidates after the examination. The proposed fees for the virtual and physical examination shall be as follows:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Training Fee	Subsequent Attempts (Training Fee)
1	Virtual training mode	Rs. 4500/- plus applicable taxes	Rs. 1000/- plus applicable taxes
2	Physical classroom training mode at centres where IIBF have got presence	Rs. 9000/- plus applicable taxes	Rs. 9000/- plus applicable taxes

Candidates who fail in virtual classroom training need to re-enroll by paying Rs. 1,000/- plus applicable taxes per subsequent attempt.

Candidates who fail in the physical classroom training need to re-enroll by paying Rs. 9000/- plus applicable taxes per subsequent attempt.

AWARD OF CERTIFICATE

Certificate will be awarded to candidates on successful completion of both examination as well as training program. No certificate will be issued for passing only the examination.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR EXAMINATION

Application for examination should be registered online from the Institute's website www.iibf.org.in. The schedule of examination and dates for registration will be published on IIBF website.

SCRIBE GUIDELINES:

Candidates who are visually impaired / have low vision or affected by cerebral palsy with locomotor impairment whose writing speed is affected and Physically Handicapped (PH) candidates who cannot operate Keyboard and Mouse can use scribe at his/her own cost during the examinations. Compensatory time and facility of scribe would be provided to only the above categories of Physically challenged candidates. Physically challenged candidates of other categories are not eligible to get the above-mentioned benefits.

To avail the facility of a scribe/special assistance/extra time, eligible candidates are required to apply online on the Institute's website www.iibf.org.in. Candidates who do not apply for availing the facility of a scribe/special assistance/extra time as per the procedure well before the said examination/s may be denied the facility of a scribe/special assistance/extra time.

[Click Here - GUIDELINES/RULES FOR USING SCRIBE BY VISUALLY IMPAIRED & ORTHOPEDICALLY CHALLENGED CANDIDATES \(Physical Classroom exam\)](#)

PROOF OF IDENTITY

Non-members applying for Institute's examinations/ courses are required to attach/ submit a copy of any one of the following documents containing Name, Photo and Signature at the time of registration of Examination Application. Application without the same shall be liable to be rejected.

- 1) Photo ID Card issued by Employer or 2) PAN Card or 3) Driving License or 4) Election Voter's ID Card or 5) Passport 6) Aadhaar Card

STUDY MATERIAL/ COURSEWARE

The Institute has developed coursewares to cover the syllabus. The courseware (book) for the subject/s will be available at outlets of publisher/s. Please visit IIBF website www.iibf.org.in under the menu "Exam Related" for details of book/s and address of publisher/s outlets. Candidates are advised to make full use of the courseware. However, as banking and finance fields are dynamic, rules and regulations witness rapid changes. Therefore, the courseware should not be considered as the only source of information while preparing for the examinations. Candidates are advised to go through the updates put on the IIBF website from time to time and go through Master Circulars/ Master Directions issued by RBI and publications of IIBF like IIBF Vision, Bank Quest, etc. All these sources are important from the examination point of view. Candidates also advised to visit the websites of organizations like RBI, SEBI, BIS, IRDAI, FEDAI etc. besides going through other books & publications covering the subject/ exam concerned etc. Questions based on current developments relating to the subject/ exam may also be asked.

Cut-off Date of Guidelines/ Important Developments for Examinations

The Institute has a practice of asking questions in each exam about the recent developments/ guidelines issued by the regulator(s) in order to test if the candidates keep themselves abreast of the current developments. However, there could be changes in the developments/ guidelines from the date the question papers are prepared and the dates of the actual examinations.

In order to address these issues effectively, it has been decided that:

In respect of the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period March to August of a calendar year, instructions/ guidelines issued by the regulator(s) and important developments in banking and finance up to 31st December will only be considered for the purpose of inclusion in the question papers.

- (i) In respect of the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period September to February of a calendar year, instructions/ guidelines issued by the regulator(s) and important developments in banking and finance up to 30th June will only be considered for the purpose of inclusion in the question papers.

The table given below further clarifies the situation.

Particulars	Cut-off Date of Guidelines/ Important Developments for Examination/s
Developments for Examination/s	
For the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period March 2025 to August 2025	31st December 2024
For the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period September 2025 to February 2026	30th June 2025

TUTORIAL/ CONTACT PROGRAMMES

Tutorial/ Contact programmes may be organized by the Institute at various centres. For details in this regard candidates may visit Institute's website www.iibf.org.in.

SYLLABUS:

The details of the prescribed syllabus which is indicative are furnished in the booklet. However, keeping in view the professional nature of examinations, all matters falling within the realm of the subject concerned will have to be studied by the candidate as questions can be asked on all relevant matters under the subject. Candidates appearing for the examination should particularly prepare themselves for answering questions that may be asked on the latest developments taking place under the various subject/s of the said examination although those topics may not have been specifically included in the syllabus. The Institute also reserves to itself the right to vary the syllabus/ rules/ fee structure from time to time. Any alterations made will be notified from time to time. Further, questions based on current developments in banking and finance may be asked.

Candidates are advised to refer to financial newspapers/ periodicals more particularly "IIBF VISION" and "BANK QUEST" published by the Institute.

PAPER 1 - FINANCIAL PLANNING & TAX PLANNING

MODULE A FINANCIAL PLANNING

1) Indian Economic Environment

Introduction to Economics and Indian economy

Economic policies and tools

Economic indicators and value of investment

Impact of Budget and Monetary Policy on the Economy and Financial Markets

Government and Fiscal Policy

2) Introduction to Indian Financial Markets

Indian Economy

Financial System

Regulators

Economic Environment

What is an 'Economy'

The Finance Sector

Different Economic Systems

Global Economic Forces

Investment Intermediaries

Impact of Government Policies

Economic or Business Cycles

Effects on Investment Values

Approaches to Analysis

Media and Information Sources

3) Basics of Financial Planning

Introduction

Need and Scope of Financial Planning

Regulatory controls and practices

A brief overview of advisers.

The consumer life cycle and wealth life cycle

Understanding of asset, liability and net worth

4) The Financial Planning Process

Various views of financial planning

The evolution of financial planning as a profession

Good practices in financial planning

Content of a comprehensive financial plan

5) Towards a Financial Plan

Working with clients

Gathering initial information from the client

Financial goals

Assessing risk tolerance
Analysis of insurance needs
Analysis of retirement savings
Analysis of investment preferences
The conclusion of the first interview
Meeting the client's objectives
Asset allocation
Implementation
Ongoing service

6) Effective Communication in Financial Counselling

Introduction
Three types of structured communication
Essentials in financial counselling
Profile of the effective counsellor
Elements of non-verbal behaviours
Attending and listening skills
Counsellor leading responses
The questioning process of a Financial Counselling

7) Marketing of Financial Products and Services

Various marketing strategies
Customer Relationship Management
Customer Acquisition, Customer Experience and Customer Retention
Introduction to Strategic and Tactical Marketing

8) Statistical and Mathematical tools

Time value of money (TMV) concepts and assumptions
Solving time value of money problems
Basic time value of money calculations
Present value of a single sum
Future value of a single sum
Number of compounding periods and interest rate per compounding period
Present value of an annuity
Future value of an annuity
Present value of an annuity due (PVAD) of a serial payment
Advanced time value of money calculations
Internal rate of return with unequal cash flows
Net present value calculation with unequal cash flow

9) Behavioural Finance

Behavioural biases
Information processing biases
Emotional biases
The psychology of money
Choice architecture
Behavioural Finance Vs Standard Finance
Biases Categorization
Client emotion management

MODULE B: TAXATION PLANNING

10) Taxation aspects of Wealth

Principles of taxation
Components of tax liability
Some other principles of taxation
Taxes payable by an individual
Effect of selling property
Tax avoidance/evasion

Tax-exempt income
Tax-sheltered income
Tax-preferred retirement, education and spending plans
Investment strategies to manage tax liability
Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT)
Alternate Minimum tax (AMT)

11) Income-tax Act, 1961: Concepts and Terminology & Rules of Residency

Assessment Year' (AY), 'Previous Year', 'Assessee', 'Person'
Broad Principles that categorize 'Income', Extended meaning of income
Capital and Revenue Receipts, and their Taxability
Residential status of an individual and other taxable entities
Taxability based on Residential status
Individuals – Resident in India, Ordinarily Resident and Not-ordinarily resident
Individuals – Not-resident in India (NRI)
Residential Status of a Foreign Company
Residential Status of Hindu Undivided Family (HUF)
Residential Status of 'any other person'
Incidence of Tax or Tax Liability
Indian Income and Foreign Income
Income 'received' vs. 'accrue' or 'arise' in India
Income deemed to accrue or arise in India

12) Income From 'Salary'

Various heads of salary and their taxability
Various allowances including Dearness Allowance
Various perquisites
Profits in lieu of salary
Wages
Fees and Commission
Gratuity, Exemption limits – Government and other employees – on retirement or resignation
Annuity and Pension – Taxability of commuted pension amount – received with or without Gratuity payment
Leave encashment on retirement or resignation
Balance in recognized Provident Fund
Employer contribution under notified pension scheme, National Pension System (NPS) and recognized Provident Funds
Compensation received on Voluntary Retirement/Separation Schemes

13) Various Allowances and Their Exemption Limits and Taxable Perquisites

House Rent Allowance (HRA)
City Compensatory Allowance
Entertainment Allowance
Special Allowance – Travelling, Conveyance, Daily, Uniform, etc.
Furnished /Unfurnished accommodation with no rent/concessional rent charged
Services of house help, attendant
Supply of amenities (electricity, water, gas, etc.)
Interest free loan or concessional loan
Use of car and other movable assets
Medical facility and club facility
Employer's contribution towards superannuation fund (above the exempt maximum limit)
Value of specified security, sweat equity, Employee Stock Option Plan (ESOP)
allotted/transferred to employee
Tax of an employee paid by employer

14) Income from House Property

The Basis of computing income from a let out house property

Gross Annual Value (GAV) on the basis of Municipal Valuation (MV), Fair Rent (FR) and Standard Rent (SR)

Net Annual Value (NAV)

Standard Deduction under section 24(a) and Interest on borrowed capital u/s 24(b)

Self-occupied house purchased/built on borrowed capital

15) Income from Capital Gains

Definition of a 'Capital Asset'

Short-term' and 'Long-term' capital asset

Indexation benefit basis cost inflation index (CII) in respect of certain capital assets

Capital assets transferred under a Gift, a Will, by succession/inheritance, etc.

Self-generated capital assets (goodwill, business rights/permits/licenses, trade mark, brand, etc.)

Shares converted from debentures/bonds – basis of cost and period of holding

Capital gain on transfer/redemption of debt securities and units of income/liquid MF schemes

Tax on long-term/short-term capital gains where Securities Transaction Tax (STT) is paid

Tax on long-term/short-term capital gains where STT is not paid

16) Income from Other Sources

Interest on Deposits (with banks, post office, companies, cooperative societies, etc.)

Interest on loan

Interest on securities, e.g. bonds, debentures, government securities, etc. (other than dividend from Indian companies)

Dividends received by residents and ordinarily residents from non-domestic companies

Gifts

Winning from lotteries, horse races, card games, crossword puzzles, TV shows/contests, etc.

Income from racing establishment

Rental income on letting out plant, machinery, furniture and attached premises to such plant

17) Income Exempted from Tax

Agricultural Income (meaning and tax treatment)

Family income received by a member of HUF

Leave Travel Concession (LTC)

Gratuity received by an employee on retirement or by dependents on death of employee (subject to rules)

Commututed value of pension (subject to rules)

House Rent Allowance (subject to rules and limits)

Income of minor child (subject to limits)

18) Permissible Deductions from Gross Total Income

Standard Deduction

Professional Tax

Employer contributions (forming part of Employee cost to company) to statutory and recognized Provident Funds, National Pension System (subject to approved limits)

Approved investments, PF/NPS employee contributions, insurance premium, repayment of borrowed capital in housing loans, etc. (subject to limits of Section 80CCE)

Additional contribution under NPS (subject to limits of Section 80CCD(1B))

Interest on borrowed capital in housing loans (subject to limits of Section 24b)

Medical Insurance premium (Section 80D)

Medical treatment (Section 80DD/Section 80DDB)

Approved Donations (Section 80G)

Rent paid by self-employed individuals (subject to rules and limit under Section 80GG)

Interest on deposits in savings bank account (subject to limit under Section 80TTA)

Rebate under Section 87A

19) Profits and Gains of Business or Profession

Meaning of business, profession or vocation

The basis of charge

Business income, profits, compensation received, etc.

Principles for arriving at business income

Exclusions from business income

20) Computation of Taxable Income and Tax and Filing of Returns

Income from all sources

Set off of losses – Current year and earlier years – Gross Total Income

Admissible deductions – Net Income or Taxable Income

Tax Liability – Income taxable at special rates and normal rates

Tax as per slabs and applicable rates, surcharge and cesses

Self-assessment tax

Advance Tax – Due dates of filing and percentage limits of advance tax payable

21) Taxation of Other Products

Taxation of Equity Products (Listed/ Unlisted)

Taxation of Mutual Funds

Taxation of Derivatives

Taxation of ESOP/ SGB/ REIT/ AIF/ InVIT/ ETF

22) Introduction to International Taxation

Essential Concepts in International Taxation

Cross Border Enforcement of Taxes

Taxation Structure in major countries

Concept of Double Taxation and Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement

Taxation of NRIs

PAPER 2 - INVESTMENT PLANNING, ASSET MANAGEMENT & REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT

MODULE A - INVESTMENT PLANNING

1) Investment Objectives, Constraints and Suitability

Engaging investment clients

The initial client interview

Investor personalities

Gathering client data

Risk tolerance and suitability

Determining investor risk tolerance

Risk tolerance questionnaires

Suitability using risk tolerance information

Matching return expectations with risk tolerance

Risk-return application

Potential tax issues

Taxability of a portfolio

Understanding life stages

Establishing goals and timelines

SMART goals

Defining and determining investment objectives

Investment Policy Statement (IPS)

2) Principles of Investment Risk

Total risk

Types of investment-related risk

Systematic risk

Nonsystematic risk

Risk measurements

Standard deviation
Covariance
Correlation coefficient (R)
Coefficient of determination
Beta

3) Asset Classes and Securities

Equity/common stock
Primary market
Secondary market
Types of orders
Types of return from common stock
Equity valuation methods (EVA, MVA, Gordon's Growth Model)
Additional valuation ratios
Fixed income securities
Cash and equivalents
Bonds
Types of bonds and issuers
Bond risks and returns
Buying and selling bonds
Bond yields
Bond price / valuation calculations
Duration and immunization
Convexity
Bond portfolio examples
Yield curve and risk-free rate of return
Preferred stock
Real assets
Derivatives
Options contracts, key terms, rights and obligations
Options strategies
Structured products/market-linked securities
Commodities
Futures and forward contracts

4) Investing in Capital Markets, Operational Aspects and Investment Products

Operational Aspect
Payment instruments - Transformation to Digital Payments
Corporate Actions
Dividends, Stock Split, Bonus and Rights issues
Buy-back, Delisting of Shares, Mergers & Acquisitions
Direct Investing

Risk Management Systems in the Secondary Market
Mutual Funds Regulatory Framework
Portfolio Management Schemes (PMS)
Alternative Investment Funds

5) Investing in Fixed Income Securities

Role of Debt markets in India in financing Government and the Corporate
Bond market ecosystem in India
Role of the Debt Market
Government Debt Market
Types of Instruments
Government Securities
Treasury Bills
Cash Management Bills
Sub-types of Government Securities

State Development Loans
Demand and Supply side Players and Intermediaries
Corporate bonds
Corporate Debt Market
Key Demand and Supply Side Players
Company Deposits
Bonds and Debentures
Infrastructure Bonds
Inflation-indexed Bonds
Zero-coupon Bonds and Deep Discount Bonds
Tax-free Bonds
Masala Bonds and FCCBs
Convertible Bonds
Pass Through Certificates and Security Receipts
Intermediation
Attribute Portfolio Performance and Evaluate Investment Alternatives

6) Small Savings Schemes and Instruments with Sovereign Guarantee

Public Provident Fund (PPF)
National Savings Certificates (NSC)
Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP)
Post Office Monthly Income Scheme (POMIS)
Senior Citizens Savings Scheme (SCSS)
Sukanya Samridhhi Yojana
Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs)

7) Mutual Funds

Mutual funds
Characteristics
Advantages of mutual funds
Disadvantages of mutual funds
The fund prospectus
Fund reporting
Types of mutual funds
Open ended and Closed-end funds
Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs)
Exchange Traded Notes (ETNs)
Unit Investment Trusts (UITs)
Individual securities versus pooled holdings
Offshore Funding through MFs

8) Investment Performance Management

Types and measures of return
Evaluating performance
Weighted-average return
Time-weighted return
Dollar-weighted return
Holding-period return
Assessing/comparing performance
Sharpe Ratio
Treynor Ratio
Jensen's Index / Alpha
Benchmark construction and comparisons
Application of performance measures
Historical returns by asset class
Fundamental analysis
Top-down analysis
Bottom-up analysis
Technical analysis

General assumptions of technical analysis

Contrarian investing rules/strategies

Price and volume based rules

9) Portfolio Management and Investment Theory

Modern Portfolio Theory (MPT)

The efficient frontier and optimal portfolios

Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM)

Capital market line

Security market line

Arbitrage pricing theory

Efficient Market Hypothesis (EMH)

Random walk theory

10) Asset Allocation and Wealth Management

Asset allocation

Rebalancing strategies

Active management

Wealth management process

Executive stock options

Concentrated stock positions

Corporate finance / financial statement analysis

Alternative investments for high net worth individuals

Private banking versus wealth management

11) Alternative Investments

Categories of Issuers

Central and State Governments

Private Sector Companies

Banks, NBFCs and Financial institutions

Mutual Funds

REITs and InvITs

Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs)

Equity Markets

Role played by different investors in the market (Retail, HNWIs, DIIs, FPIs)

Shareholding Pattern – What does it indicate?

Investment in Equity - Shareholders' Rights

Equity Derivatives Market – Indicators and Pricing Mechanism

Futures and Options

Costs, Benefits and Risk of Derivatives

Index Futures vs Index Options vs Index Funds

Debt Markets

Depth of Debt Markets and Key Players

Types of Debt and Fixed Income Instruments

Trading in Various Debt Products

Commodities Markets

Structure, Exchanges and Regulation

Commodities Futures and their Settlement Mechanism

Foreign Exchange Markets

Structure, Functions and Regulation

Pricing of Forwards & Futures and Interest Rate Swaps

Concept of Interest Rate Parity

Real Estate, Gold and Collectibles

Forms of Realty – Land, Residential and Commercial

Venture Capital

Private Equity

Hedge Funds

P2P Lending

Real Estate vs REITs

REITs vs InvITs

Precious Metals - Gold

Physical Gold vs. Gold Funds vs. Sovereign Gold Bonds vs Gold ETFs

Gold Futures vs Gold ETFs - Time Horizon, Cost and Risks

Cryptocurrency

Art, Antiquities and Collectibles

MODULE B: ASSET MANAGEMENT

12) Cash Management/ Liquid Investment Products in India

Savings bank account, Recurring Deposit and Fixed Deposit with graded maturity profile

Corporate Deposit, Post Office Term Deposit

Ultra-Short duration fund, low duration fund, Liquid scheme, Money Market Mutual Fund

13) Sources of Personal Credit/Debt

Structured Lending Institutions

Public Sector and Private Sector Banks, Small Banks, Co-operative Banks, Regional Rural Banks, Payment Banks

Financial Institutions, State Financial Corporations

Non-banking Financial Companies (NBFC), Housing Finance Companies, Gold Finance Companies, Micro-Finance Institutions

Unregulated lending

Moneylenders

Chit Funds

Cooperative Credit Societies

Loans and Advances from Employer

14) Credit/Debt Management

Nature and Types of Debt, Productive and Unproductive Debt

Types of Loans to finance varied goals

Using the right credit to finance goals

Analysis of Debt and Financing Alternatives

15) Financial Modelling

Quantitative Modelling

Introduction to spreadsheets and models

Risk Modelling

16) ESG Factors and responsible investing

What are ESG factors

Importance of ESG factors

ESG fundamental analysis

17) Portfolio Management Services

What is PMS

Types of PMS

Objective of PMS

Process of PMS

Risk Management in PMS

MODULE C: REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT, COMPLIANCE AND LAW

18) Regulatory Environment of Financial Sector

Regulatory System and Environment

Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)

Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)

Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)

19) Acts Relevant to Corporate Entities, Securities and External Trade

The Companies Act, 2013 (erstwhile 1956)

The Indian Trusts Act, 1882

The Securities Contracts Regulation Act, 1956

The Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992

The Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999

The Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA)

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (IBC)

Negotiable Instruments Act, 1883

The Forward Contracts Regulation Act, 1952

The Indian Contract Act, 1872

The Indian Partnership Act, 1932

The Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008

20) Customer Service

Customer Care, Customer Delight and Moments of Truth

Handling different types of Customers

Role of RTAs

Problem Solving approach

Effective Communication

21) Consumer Grievances Redressal

Redress in Banking – The Banking Ombudsman Scheme 2006 (amended July 1, 2017)

Investor Grievance Redress Mechanism – SEBI Complaints Redress System (SCORES) platform

Insurance Ombudsman Scheme

Stipendiary Ombudsman – PFRDA

The Consumer Protection Act, 2019

Other Acts, Statutes and Regulations Relevant to Financial Consumers

Right to Information Act, 2005 (RTI)

IRDAI (Protection of Policyholders' Interests) Regulations, 2017

22) Ethics in Wealth Management

Ethics in Finance

Fiduciary relationship with client

SEBI guidelines

Principles of Ethics

Current issues in financial planning

PAPER 3- RISK MANAGEMENT & INSURANCE, RETIREMENT AND ESTATE

PLANNING Risk Management & Insurance, Retirement and Estate Planning

MODULE A: RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURANCE

1) Principles of Risk Management

Fundamentals of Risk Management

Meaning and treatment of risk

Types of risk

Pure and speculative risk

Perils and hazards Basic Risk Management assumptions and techniques

Personal risk tolerance and management

Insurance as Tool for Risk Management

2) Introduction to Insurance

History and evolution of insurance

Principle of Risk Pooling

Principles of Insurance

Term life insurance

Characteristics of insurance and how they are different from other financial products

Insurance Contracts-Indemnity contracts and wagering contract

Legal aspects of an insurance contract

Structure and Organization of Life Insurance Companies in India

3) Regulator for Insurance Business and allied bodies

Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority

Insurance Council (Life)

Insurance Council (non-Life)

4) Overview of the Insurance Sector in India

Economic, Commercial and Social Aspects of Insurance

Insurance penetration in India-Life and Non-Life

Scope of Insurance Business

Various segments of insurance-Life-Non Life-Health-Reassurance

The laws governing insurance business in India

The Insurance Act, 1938 (amended upto 2015)

The India Contract Act, 1872

The Consumer Protection Act, 2019

5) Regulator for insurance business allied bodies

Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI Act, 1999)

Insurance Council (Life)

Insurance Council (Non-Life)

6) Life Insurance

Conventional Products: Term Insurance, Whole Life Policies, Endowment Insurance Policies, Joint Life Policies, Children Assurance Policies

Non-conventional Policies: Unit Linked Insurance Policies, Variable universal Policies

Riders – Critical health Insurance riders, Disability and accident benefit riders, etc.,

Annuity and Pension Products

Key man Insurance

Group Insurance Schemes

Group funded schemes like Group Gratuity scheme, Group Leave encashment scheme, and group Superannuation scheme.

Calculation of Human Life Value

Insurable Interest

Risk assessment – Moral Hazard – Financial Under writing

Factors in fixations of Premium Net Premium and Gross Premium – Concept of Level Premiums

Participating and Non-participating policies – Distribution of Valuation Surplus

Life Insurance Policy Documentation – Proposal form, Agents Confidential Report, First Premium Receipt; Policy Document- its contents and their significance

Policy Service: Grace Period, Nomination and Assignment, lapse of a Life Insurance Policy – Revival – Loan on a Policy – Surrender of a Policy – Guaranteed Surrender Value – Claims – Maturity Claims and Death claims- Early Death Claims- Section 45 of Insurance Act 1938 - Regulatory Bench marks for settlement of Claims

Provisions relating to Income Tax benefits in respect of premium paid and claims received

7) General Insurance

Structure of Indian General Insurance Market – Companies operating in India

Agricultural Insurance Corporation of India

Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation

Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (ECGC), Role of ECGC in International Trade General Insurance Corporation of India – Re-insurance.

Personal and Retail Insurance: Named Peril Policies – All Risk Policies – Package Policies, Shop keepers Policies, Householder's Insurance Policies, Personal Accident Policies, Motor Insurance – OD, TP Coverage, etc.,

Commercial Insurance: Property /Fire Insurance, Standard Fire/Special Perils Policy with add on Covers (SFSD), Business Interruption Insurance (Loss of Profits Insurance),

Burglary Insurance, Fidelity Guarantee Insurance, Bankers Indemnity Insurance, Marine Cargo Insurance, Liability Policies for payment of compensation under Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 and Employees Compensation Act, 1923, Directors and Officers Liability Policy

Documentation –Non-Life Policies: Proposal Form, Certification of Insurance, Policy Document – Policy wordings – Warranties Interpretation of Policies.

General Insurance Claims: Claim settlement process – promptness and professionalism – Investigation and assessment.

Role of surveyors and loss assessors

8) Health Insurance

Types of Medical Policies – Indemnity Covers and Fixed Benefit Covers.

Individual Cover and Group Cover

IRDAL guidelines on Standardization in Health Insurance

The concept of waiting period in Health Insurance

Critical Illness covers

Micro Insurance and Health Insurance for Poorer sections

PM Jan Arogya Yojana

Overseas Travel Insurance

Cash less Service

Role of Third-Party Administrators

Renewals of HI Policies – Grace Period

Process of Claim settlement - Bench Marks for Claim settlement

9) Grievance Redressal Mechanism

Guidelines regarding Internal Mechanism

Ombudsman Scheme

Consumer Forums

10) Insurance Intermediaries

Individual Agency System

Corporate Agents and Bancassurance Channel

Brokers

Appointment Rules and regulations and their functions and responsibilities of the above

11)Others

Insurance Surveyors

TPAs

Medical Examiners

Repositories

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12) Principles of Retirement

Value of early and consistent planning for retirement

Investing for retirement

Accumulation strategies

13) Retirement Objectives

Retirement goals and objectives

Goals and needs

Capital required for retirement

High net worth clients

Establishing retirement cash flow targets

Conflicting goals and trade-offs

Objectives in retirement

Wealth transfer and philanthropy

14) Retirement Needs Analysis and Projections

Longevity risk, inflation and the impact on retirement cash flow needs

Goal classification and funding
Fixed and terminable
Fixed and permanent
Variable and terminable
Variable and permanent
Goal development
Establishing goals and timelines
Determining goal priorities
Selecting and administering long-term investment portfolios
Risk, return and implications for retirement planning

15) Potential Sources of Retirement Cash Flow

Pension funds
Government-sponsored
Defined benefit plans
Employer-sponsored
Defined contribution plans
Types of non-pension employee retirement benefits
Individual retirement plans
Annuities
Types of annuities
Settlement and payout options

16) Retirement Cash Flow, Withdrawal Projections and Strategies

Sources of cash flow in retirement
Portfolio distribution strategies
Retirement distribution rates
Sequence risk
Portfolio distribution options
Impact of taxes on retirement cash flow

17) Pension Reforms in India

Pension Scenario – State Governments, Autonomous Bodies and Un-organized Sector

18) Retirement Products in India

Provident Funds
National Pension Systems (NPS) - PFRDA (Pension Fund) Regulations, 2015
Public Provident Fund (PPF) under the Public Provident Fund Act, 1968
Annuities
Government sponsored regular income schemes
Reverse Mortgage

19) Employee Benefits on Superannuation Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972

Leave Encashment – Tax-exempt amounts
Ex-Gratia Lump-sum Compensation
Pension Scheme for Government Employees – Rules for Commuting pension
Family Pension
Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme (EDLIS)
Pensions in Public Sector Bank and other Public Sector Enterprises

MODULE C: ESTATE PLANNING

20) Estate Planning and Wealth Distribution Goals, Estate Planning Process

Estate Planning Terminologies
Estate planning and wealth distribution goals
Discovering client goals
Common estate planning goals
Providing for loved ones

Children and grandchildren
Providing for organizations and others
Small business owners
Steps in the estate planning process
Determine expenses and estate value at death
Transfer during life and at death
Planning for incapacity

21) The Indian Succession Act, Governing Principles and Applicability

The Indian Succession Act, 1925
Law of situs of land – Immovable property
Law of domicile of testator – Movable property
Domicile of Origin
Intestate Succession
Hindu Succession Act, 1956
Mohammedan Law (Muslim Personal Law)
Provision of Indian Succession Act applies to Parsis and Indian Christians
Succession certificate and/or Letter of Administration
Mutation and process of distribution of Estate

22) Types of Wills in India and Requirements of Valid Will

Privileged Will (Oral Will in the presence of two witnesses)
Contingent Will
Concurrent Will (cross border bequests)
Mutual Will
Joint Will
Holograph (handwritten) Will
Duplicate Will (Revocation of testator destroys copy in his/her custody)
Requirements of a valid Will
Duly and validly executed Will (registration not mandatory)
Mandatory attestation by at least two witnesses
Appointment of executor of the Will
Will needs to be revisited periodically for material change in circumstances

23) Administration of Estate in a Testamentary Succession

The Executor – Legal Representative in fiduciary capacity
Power, Role and Responsibility as conferred by Indian Succession Act
Procedure for Probate
Get the Will verified by a competent court (Grant of Probate)
Aggregate inventory of estate and assess value
Establish solvency of the estate; pay expenses, pay off debt on priority
Honor specific legacies and proportionate general legacies

24) Other Tools and Methods, Will substitutes – Tenancies, Survivorship Accounts and Nominations

Tenant-in-Common and Joint Tenant
Contracts – Holdings on Any/Either or Survivor basis in bank accounts, Mutual Funds and Securities Accounts
Nomination in Life insurance Policies
Nomination in Housing Society documents
Married Women's Property Act and Estate Planning
Other Tools for Estate Planning – Power of Attorney

25) Gifts, Trusts & Family Arrangements in Estate Planning

Gifts
Inheritance Tax
Tax on Gifts
Moveable Property – Fair Market Value
Immovable Property – Stamp Duty
The Indian Trusts Act, 1882

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