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FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT



INTRODUCTION

Finance is the life blood and nerve Centre of a business. It is very essential for smooth running of the business. It is needed to promote or establish the business.

MEANING

Financial Management refers to the management of flow of funds in the firm. It deals with the financial decision making of the firm. It is mainly concerned with timely procurement of adequate finance from various sources and its utmost effective utilization for the attainment of organizational objectives.

Definition

According to Solomon, "Financial Management is concerned with the efficient use of an important economic resource, namely capital funds.

Functions

- * Financial Planning
- * Raising of Financial Resources
- * Management of Financial Resources
- * Control of Financial Resources

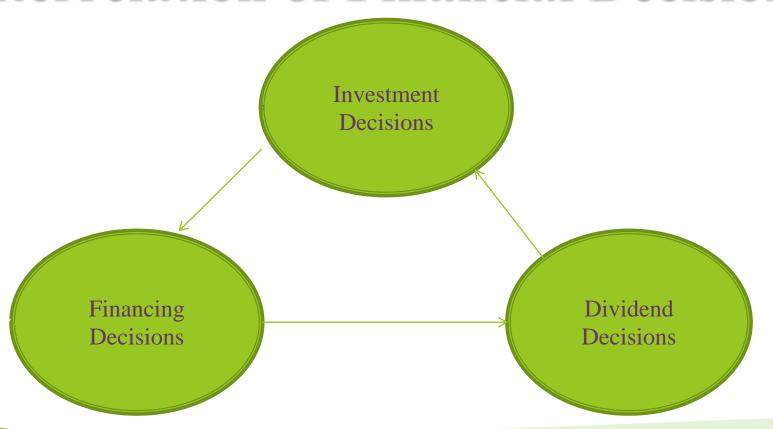
OBJECTIVES

- (i) Basic Objectives
 - * Profit Maximization
 - * Wealth Maximization
- (ii)Other Objectives
 - * Return maximization
 - * Manage Risk

Basic Financial Decisions

- 1. Investment Decisions
- 2. Financing Decisions
- 3. Dividend Decisions

Interrelation of Financial Decisions



Inter relationship between Financial Decisions

The investment, financing and dividend decisions are interdependent. One decision influences the another. Dividend decision also influences financing and investment decisions and vice versa.

Approaches to Financial Management

- * Traditional Approach
- * Modern Approach

Traditional Approach

Under the traditional approach, the scope of financial management was limited to the procurement of funds on the most suitable terms.

Modern Approach

Modern approach includes efficient utilization of funds. It covers financial planning, raising of funds, evaluation of investment proposals, allocation of funds, financial control etc.

Functions of Financial Management

- * Estimating Financial Needs
- * Identification of Sources of Funds
- * Developing an optimum Capital Structure
- * Capital Budgeting
- * Working Capital Management
- * Dividend Policy
- * Mergers and Acquisitions
- * Financial Analysis
- * Cost Volume Profit Analysis
- * Financial Control

