BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

I. Management:

- Defining Organization, Management, and Management in Organizations
- Four Management Functions, Management Roles, Management Skills
- Organizational Internal-External Environment
- Management Planning, Goal Setting, and Decision Making
- Strategic Management Process: Strategy Formulation and Implementation
- Developing Organizational Structure and Design
- Designing Adaptive Organizations
- Managing Change and Innovation
- Leadership and Motivation

II. HR Management:

- Role of Human Resource Management in Organizational
- Performance Functions of HRM
- Process and Methods of Job Analysis
- Planning and Forecasting Personnel Needs
- Recruitment and Selection
- Training and Development
- Performance Management and Appraisal: Methods and Processes
- Establishing Strategic Pay Plans
- Compensation and Benefits
- Ethics, Justice, and Fair Treatment in HR Management
- Labor Relations and Collective Bargaining

III. Financial Management:

- An overview of Financial Management:
 - a) Introduction and significance of financial markets
 - b) Differentiation between real assets and financial assets
 - c) Types of Financial Markets
 - d) Role of capital and money markets in economic development
 - e) Organizational goals and shareholder wealth maximization perspective

Time Value of Money:

- a) Cost of money and the factors affecting the cost
- b) Interest rate fundamentals and determinants of market interest rate
- c) Role of the Time value of money in finance
- d) Concept of future value and present value
- e) Making timelines, Annuities, Perpetuities and mixed stream of cash flows, with and without growth, Present value and future value of cash flow streams
- f) Compounding Interest; discrete and continuous, Loan amortization

• Analysis and Interpretation of Financial Statements:

- a) Reading the financial statements
- b) Horizontal and vertical analysis including common size
- c) ratio, comparative and index number trend analysis
- d) Forecasting financials for future decision making
- e) Evaluating credit, management, profitability, risk etc. using financial statements

• Risk, Return and Introduction to Pricing:

- a) Measures of Risks and return
- b) Investment return and expected rate of return
- c) Standalone risk: standard deviation and coefficient of variation
- d) Risk aversion and required rate of return
- e) Portfolio risk: Diversifiable vs. Market risk
- f) Security Market Line and CAPM
- g) Calculating WACC
- h) Discounting process for price determination
- i) Relevant risk and return for valuation

Cash flow and Budgeting:

- a) Significance of budgeting
- b) Making cash budgets
- c) Making financial forecasts
- d) Difference between profit and cash flow
- e) Read and analyze Statement of Cashflow

Capital Budgeting:

- a) Significance of Capital budgeting
- b) Cash flow calculations: incremental cash flows
- c) Capital budgeting decision rules: NPV, IRR, MIRR, Return, finding optimal capital structure, calculating appropriate discount rate
- d) Capital Rationing

IV. Operations and Supply Chain Management:

A. Operations Management

Operations & Productivity:

- a) Operations Management (OM) as one of the Three Core Functions in an Organization
- b) Significance and contributions of OM in the field of management
- c) Future trends in OM and differences between goods and services

• Operations Strategy in Global Environment:

- a) Developing mission & OM strategies
- b) Critical Success Factors (CSF)
- c) Aligning Core Competencies with CSF

• Process Strategy:

- a) Four Process Strategies
- b) Process Analysis and Design
- c) Process Mapping
- d) Flow Diagrams
- e) Process Charts
- f) Service process design
- g) Process Re-engineering

Capacity Planning:

- a) Design & Effective Capacity
- b) Capacity Cushion
- c) Capacity considerations
- d) Managing demand
- e) Capacity Planning
- f) Leading vs Lagging Strategies
- g) Single & Multiple Product Break-Even Analysis for Capacity Planning

Location Strategies:

- a) Factors Affecting Location Decisions
- b) Methods for Evaluating Location Alternatives
- c) Factor Rating Method
- d) Load-Distance Methods
- e) Center of Gravity Method
- f) Service location Strategy

Layout Strategies:

- a) Types of Layouts
- b) Layout Design
- c) Fixed Position Layout
- d) Process-Oriented Layouts
- e) Office Layout
- f) Retail Layout
- g) Assembly Line Balancing

• Inventory Management:

- a) Role of Inventory in Operations
- b) ABC analysis
- c) Record accuracy
- d) Cycle counting
- e) Inventory Models
- f) Fixed Period Systems
- g) Continuous Review Systems
- h) Basic EOQ Inventory Model
- i) Safety Stock
- j) Service Level

B. Supply Chain Management

Introduction to supply chain management and logistics management:

- a) What is supply chain management and logistics management
- b) Objectives, Importance
- c) Examples of supply chain management and logistics management
- d) Decision phases in supply chains

• Supply chain performance:

- a) Achieving strategic fit
- b) Challenges in achieving strategic fit
- c) Supply chain cost
- d) Supply chain quality
- e) Supply chain lead time

• Supply chain drivers:

- a) Facilities as a driver
- b) Inventory as a driver
- c) Information as a driver
- d) Transportation as a driver

- e) Sourcing as a driver
- f) Pricing as a driver

• Balancing supply and demand:

- a) Bullwhip effect
- b) Demand collaboration
- c) Information sharing in supply chains
- d) accurate response strategy

• Supply chain coordination:

- a) Obstacles in coordination
- b) Vendor managed inventory
- c) Collaborative planning forecasting and replenishment
- d) Managerial levers to achieve coordination

• IT in supply chain management:

- a) Role of IT in supply chain management
- b) Customer relationship management
- c) Supplier relationship management
- d) Risk management in IT
- e) Supply chain IT in practice

V. Marketing:

- Introduction to marketing
- Developing marketing strategies and plans
- Scanning the marketing environment
- Analyzing consumer markets
- Market segmentation
- Managing marketing information
- Branding
- Product life cycle
- Pricing
- Managing distribution channels
- Integrated marketing communications