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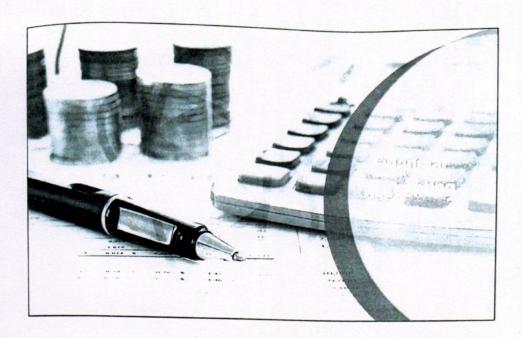
PREFACE

Dissertation is the essential part to one of the curriculums of any management program. In the classroom coaching, we generally get theoretical knowledge of management, but this knowledge does not prove to be adequate. As in future, management students have to work with organization. By merely knowing what management is, they cannot be capable of applying it.

So, my dissertation work related to study of ROLE OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING IN BUSINESS is providing the opportunity to get familiar with the natural industrial atmosphere through participation and observation.

As being a management /commerce student, I have done a study on ROLE OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING IN BUSINESS dissertation.

CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION



The way in which an institution presents information in its financial statements is crucial since financial statements are a key component of financial reporting and a key channel for disseminating financial data to parties outside of an entity.

The demand for uniform regulations has grown as a result of globalization and the rise of multinational commerce, as this will ensure that financial statements are made consistently across nations and leave no room for interpretation.

The address of financial statements has received a lot of criticism for a variety of reasons, despite the fact that various professional accounting organizations have worked to harmonies financial reporting regulations on a global scale. First off, according to the IASB (2008), there are far too many alternative ways to report financial information in financial statements. Due to this, it is challenging to compare the financial statements of various businesses and is possible to draw erroneous assumptions about how well the entity's operations are going. Second, different entities in various nations have varying requirements for the format of financial statements (European Commission, October 25, 2011). The analysis of the entities' financial results and worldwide comparisons of financial reports are made more difficult by this condition.

Third, the need for differential reporting is questioned because the financial reporting requirements placed on businesses frequently do not take the size of the business into consideration.

Fourth, the information that users evaluate in the financial statements varies. As a result, when the company draughts the financial statements, it should take the interests of the most important user groups into consideration.

It is critical to examine the Azerbaijani financial accounting framework in light of the aforementioned critique and to find out whether the country's consumers of financial statements are dealing with similar issues. The author has concentrated the research on these specific businesses because 99.9% of Azerbaijani companies are small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

This PhD thesis also uses institutional theory to give a thorough assessment of the modifications made to Azerbaijan's accounting laws between 1990 and 2012. First of all, very few authors have written about accounting issues in Azerbaijan, and there is hardly any scholarly literature on the subject, even locally and in Azerbaijani, available.

To fill in this gap and give a comprehensive summary of the key changes, this PhD thesis attempts to complete it. As a result of the interaction between practises, routines, and institutions, this thesis also applies institutional theory to examine the country-specific elements influencing the growth of financial accounting and reporting in Azerbaijan.

From an international standpoint, this PhD thesis offers a thorough examination of several equity theories and connects them to the theoretical frameworks of the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). Although only a few authors have looked into conceptual frameworks based on equity theories (Van Mourik, 2010a; Van Mourik, 2010b; Troberg et al 1995), its application is typically understudied, particularly in terms of what the goals of financial reporting are and who is thought to be the target audience for the financial statements. Additionally, by defining the dominant theory of the era and identifying the primary users from whose perspective the financial statements should be presented, the doctoral thesis seeks to provide an overview of the evolution of equity theories.

The initial goal of this doctoral thesis is to define how the expectations of users will be met by the present and upcoming accounting rules that control the creation of financial statements for SMEs. Second, what should the appearance be of a comprehensive set of financial statements that meets the requirements of Azerbaijan stakeholders.

Although the primary objective of the research is to determine the demands of SME financial statement readers and preparers in Azerbaijan, one should consider this issue more broadly. Due to the fact that the Azerbaijani economy is not a closed system, it is important to examine the global variables that influenced the creation and compilation of Azerbaijani accounting standards. This entails finding the fundamental ideas behind present accounting rules and connecting them to a thorough theory.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING: BASIC CONCEPTS AND PRINCIPLES

5.1 Definition

Accountancy deals with the recording, categorization, and summarization of financial transactions and events as well as the interpretation of the outcomes, as was covered in the previous chapter. Its goal is to inform a company's many users, including owners, managers, employees, investors, creditors, suppliers of goods and services, and tax authorities, on the financial performance of the business in order to assist them in making crucial decisions. For instance, the performance of other similar businesses may be compared by investors who are curious about the firm's level of profit or loss over a specific time period. The availability of the company's cash, say, to a banker, may also be of importance to the credit providers.

The reliability and comparability of accounting information is crucial for giving the data meaning to both internal and external users. Information must be comparable in order to be compared across firms, or to see how one company did in relation to other firms, as well as across time periods, or how it performed in relation to years past. Only if the information provided by the financial statements is based on consistent accounting policies, principles, and practises is this made possible. This consistency is necessary for identifying the events and transactions to be measured, communicating them in the book of accounts, summarising their outcomes, and reporting them to the relevant parties.

This necessitates the creation of a solid accounting theory foundation.

No field can grow without a solid theoretical foundation, so the significance of accounting theory need not be overstated. The principles, concepts, rules, and standards that make up the theory

foundation of accounting were created over time to bring uniformity and consistency to the accounting process as well as to increase the usability of accounting information for various users. In addition to these, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Azerbaijan (IAS), the regulatory body for standardising accounting practises in the nation, has issued Accounting Standards that are expected to be consistently followed in order to bring consistency to accounting practises. The parts that follow talk about these.

The sole goal of business is profit, as has frequently been stated. Therefore, it is crucial for individuals in charge of running a firm to have knowledge of the company's financial performance.

It is difficult to find this information, and the only way to get it is to methodically document, categorise, and summarise all business transactions. Financial accounting is the area of accounting that carries out these responsibilities according to protocols that are internationally standardised.

Financial accounting, however, goes beyond just logging, categorising, and compiling data related to corporate activities. It also covers disclosing this information to external stakeholders, who are the crucial, key recipients of the information and include creditors and investors.

The information produced by financial accounting is mostly intended at external stakeholders who are not directly affiliated with the company organisation, however there may be secondary recipients as well, such as rivals, clients, employees, and stock-market analysts.

To put together a formal definition of financial accounting, it is therefore a specialised branch of accounting that documents and communicates data about a company's financial situation and performance, primarily for the benefit of the corporate entity's external stakeholders.

How are duties completed in financial accounting? To produce the necessary information, financial accounting primarily produces three financial statements: the balance sheet, the income statement, and the cash flow statement.

The stakeholders can clearly understand from these documents the company's performance during a specified time period and its financial situation at that point. The goal of financial accountants is to enable others to value a firm rather than to estimate it themselves.

The International Financial Reporting Standards state that financial accounting provides information about a company that is helpful to current and potential investors, lenders, and other creditors in deciding whether to give the organisation resources.

Objectives:

- To keep a record of all financial transactions as they happen (bookkeeping), so that
 the information can be examined for the preparation of financial statements.
- To calculate profit or loss to allow management to implement course corrections as needed.
- 3. To determine the assets and liabilities of the company to ascertain its financial health.
- To disseminate information to stakeholders through statements and reports so that they
 can make informed decisions about their interests in the company.

Financial Statement

Financial accountants primarily prepare three types of documents to achieve these goals, as briefly mentioned in the introduction above: the balance sheet, which reflects assets and liabilities; income statement, which displays profit and loss; and cash flow statement, which illustrates the inflow and outflow of cash.

The external users of financial statements examine the balance sheet to determine the strength of the company's finances (assets vs. liabilities) and the income statement to determine the performance of the company (profit vs. loss).

Investors prefer to see an income statement with a profit because it lets them know that money would be made, while creditors and other lenders are delighted to see a positive balance sheet because it lets them know that their investments are safe.

Nearly all stakeholders request to see the cash flow statement in order to determine the company's cash availability and whether it will be able to pay off its debts.

Managers who can make choices based on the financial statements are among the internal users of financial statements, while government agencies that can implement tax measures are among the external users.

Balance sheet

On the final day of the accounting period, a company's balance sheet displays its assets, liabilities, and stockholders' equity.

Cash, stocks, real estate, and equipment are examples of assets, whereas loans, interest, and salaries are examples of liabilities. The difference between assets and liabilities is referred to as shareholders' equity. Discover more about balance sheets.

Income statement

The company's profitability for a specific time period is shown on the income statement, which is published quarterly or annually. It displays the income (from sales and services), expenses (from operational costs, like salaries and rent, and non-operating costs, like loan interest), gains, and losses. Study up on Profit and Loss.

Cash Flow Statement

The cash flow statement displays the inflow and outflow of cash as well as its usage for investing, financing, and operating purposes. The cash flow statement is described in more depth below.

5.2 Concept and Principle of Financial

The basic accounting principles, produced by the accounting profession, are referred to as the core ideas or basic assumptions underpinning the theory and practise of financial accounting. They are broad working standards for all accounting tasks. The following list of crucial ideas is provided:

Business entity	Revenue recognition
Money measurement	Matching
Going concern	Full disclosure
Accounting period	Consistency
Cost	Conservatism
Dual aspect	Materiality

Business entity concept

The idea of a business entity is predicated on the notion that a business has a unique and independent entity from its owners. It indicates that the company and its owners are to be recognised as two different entities for accounting reasons. Keeping this in mind, when a person adds money to his firm as capital, it is recorded in the accounting records as a liability of the business to the owner. In this case, it is presumed that one separate entity (the owner) is disbursing money to another separate entity (the business unit). Similar to this, any money that the owner takes out of the company for personal use (drawings) is regarded as a reduction of the owner's capital, which in turn lowers the company's liabilities.

The book of accounts' accounting entries is prepared from the perspective of the company unit, not the owner. Because of this, the owner's personal assets and liabilities are not considered when calculating the business's assets and liabilities. Similar to this, personal transactions of the owner are not entered into the company's books unless they entail the inflow or outflow of company funds.

Money Measurement Concept

Only those events and transactions inside an organization that can be measured in monetary terms, such as the sale of goods, the payment of expenditures, the receipt of income, etc., are to be noted in the book of accounts, according to the notion of money measurement. The appointment of a manager, the skill set of a company's human resources, the innovation of its research department, or the perception of an organisation among the public in general do not appear in the accounting records of a company. All such transactions or happenings that cannot be expressed in monetary terms are not recorded.

Another crucial feature of the idea of monetary measurement is that transaction records should be stored in monetary units rather than physical ones. An organisation might, for instance, have a factory on a 2 acres piece of land, an office building with 10 rooms, 30 computers, 30 office chairs and tables, a bank balance of Rs. 5 lakh, 20 tons of raw materials, and 100 cartons of finished items on a given day.

Going concern concept

The idea of a "going concern" presumes that a company will continue to operate indefinitely, or for a considerable amount of time, and won't be liquidated any time soon. As the foundation for displaying the value of assets in the balance sheet, this accounting tenet is crucial.

A collection of services could be seen as an asset. When we spend Rs. 50,000 on an asset, like a personal computer, what we are really buying are the services we will receive from the computer throughout its anticipated lifespan of, say, 5 years. It wouldn't be right to deduct the entire Rs. 50,000 cost from the revenue of the year the asset was bought.

Accounting period concept

The terms "accounting period" refers to the period of time at the conclusion of which the financial statements of an enterprise are prepared, allowing us to determine whether or not the enterprise made a profit or a loss during that period and precisely where its assets and liabilities stood at that time. Different users need this information on a regular basis for a variety of reasons, since no company can wait around for too long to learn about its financial performance because choices need to be made on a regular basis based on this information. In order to provide consumers with timely information, the financial statements are consequently created on a regular basis, often after a period of one year. Accounting refers to this period of time.

Cost concept

According to the cost idea, all assets must be valued at their purchase price, which takes into consideration the costs of acquisition, shipping, installation, and readying the asset for use. As an example, in June 2005, Shiva Enterprise, a company that manufactures detergent powder, paid Rs. 50 lakh for an ageing plant. The cost of transferring the plant to the factory location was Rs. 10,000. In addition, repairs to get the plant up and running cost Rs. 15,000, and its installation cost Rs. 25,000. The total of all of these, or Rs. 50,50,000, will be the figure at which the plant will be registered in the books of account.

Dual aspect concept

The underlying idea or fundamental accounting theory is dual aspect. The essential foundation for entering business transactions into the book of accounts is provided by it. According to this idea, every transaction has a dual or double effect and needs to be documented twice. In other words, a transaction will be recorded involving at least two accounts. An illustration will help to clarify this. Ram invested Rs. 50,000 in his firm to get it going. The money Ram brought in will result in an increase of Rs 50,000 in the company's assets (cash). The owner's equity or capital will also rise by the same amount concurrently.

Revenue recognition (realization) concept

According to the idea of revenue recognition, a company transaction's revenue should only be recorded in the accounting records once it has been realised.

Two questions are raised in this context. The first is known as revenue, and the second is when that revenue is really realised. Let's start with the first one. Revenue is the total amount of money received by an organisation from its (i) sales of goods and services, and (ii) the use of its resources by third parties, which results in interest, royalties, and dividends. The second assumption is that revenue is realised when a legal right to receive it materialises, which occurs when things are sold or services are given.

Matching concept

Deduction of relevant expenses from the income earned during that period is the method used to calculate the amount of profit made or loss suffered during a specific period. The complementary notion specifically highlights this element. It states that revenues earned within a given accounting period must equal expenses incurred during that period. This implies that both the income and the expenses incurred to produce the revenue must be included in the same accounting period.

Full disclosure concept

Different groups of people, including investors, lenders, suppliers, and others, use the information supplied by financial statements to make various financial decisions. There is a separation between

individuals who own an enterprise and those who run its affairs in the corporate type of organization.

However, the only or fundamental method of disseminating financial information to all parties interested is through financial statements. Therefore, it is even more crucial that the financial accounts disclose all information that is pertinent to making financial decisions in a thorough, fair, and adequate manner.

Consistency concept

Only when it allows comparisons over time and with the functioning of other firms will the accounting information presented by the financial statements be useful in drawing conclusions on the operating of an enterprise. As a result, comparisons between firms and periods must be made. This is only achievable if businesses implement uniform accounting policies and procedures that remain consistent throughout time.

Conservatism concept

The idea of conservatism, sometimes known as "prudence," offers instructions for entering transactions in the book of accounts and is founded on the practise of taking precautions. According to the idea, determining income should be done deliberately to prevent overstating the enterprise's profits. If the profits determined are higher than the actual profits, it may result in the payment of dividends from capital, which is unfair because it will cause the enterprise's capital to decrease.

Materiality concept

Accounting must concentrate on material facts according to the concept of materiality. It is not necessary to waste time capturing and presenting data that will not be used to determine income. What constitutes a tangible reality is the issue at hand. A fact's materiality is determined by its type and the quantity at stake. Any fact would be regarded as substantial if it is conceivable that knowing about it would affect the choice of a knowledgeable user of financial statements. For instance, the cost of building a theatre with an additional 23 seats would be a material fact because it would improve the enterprise's potential for future profit. Information regarding any modification to the depreciation method used or any liabilities which future would be significant information.

Objectivity concept

According to the idea of objectivity, accounting transactions must be reported objectively, free from the prejudice of other people and accountants.

This is possible if each transaction is accompanied by valid paperwork or vouchers. For instance, the receipt for the money paid, if the supplies were bought with cash, or a copy of the invoice and a delivery challan, if they were bought with credit, could be used to support the transaction. Similar to this, the receipt for the machine's purchase price serves as documentary proof of the machine's cost and offers a neutral foundation for confirming this transaction. One of the factors that led to the acceptance of "Historical Cost" as the foundation for accounting recording transaction.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

5.3 Financial accounting standards

The accounting profession has agreed to the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, also known as Basic Accounting Concepts, in order to establish uniformity and comparability in the financial statements, as was covered in the section above. This aims to increase the usefulness of these statements to different users of accounting information. But the problem is that different alternative treatments for the same item are permitted by GAAP. For instance, there are a number of acceptable ways for calculating the cost of inventory that different businesses may use. The information may become inconsistent and unreliable for external consumers, which could be problematic. The reporting of accounting information must be made more uniform and consistent as a result.

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and tells financial statement presenters to use them. The accounting rules are also periodically reviewed by ASB.

Accounting standards are documented declarations of uniform accounting principles, guidelines, or practises for creating consistent, uniform financial statements, as well as for additional disclosures influencing the user of accounting information. The provisions of the applicable laws, customs, usages, and business environment in the nation, however, cannot be overridden by the accounting standards.

The Institute works to convince the accounting community to accept the accounting standards so that consistency in the presentation of financial statements can be attained. The initial years' guidelines are merely advisory in nature. Once a standard's criteria are understood, actions are made to enforce their adherence by making them a requirement for all businesses. In the event of non-compliance, the companies are obligated to identify the causes of any deviations as well as any financial consequences that may have resulted.

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5.4 International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs)

The International Accounting Standard Board (LASB) created the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), which are recognised worldwide as accounting best practises. A collection of accounting standards known as IFRS is used to report many kinds of business transactions and events in the financial statements. The goal is to make it easier for businesses to be accurately and fairly valued on a global scale. Users of accounting information can use the qualitative factors related to financial statement creation to help them with financial decisions.

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of Azerbaijan, chose to align Azerbaijan Accounting Standards with IFRSs in an effort to reduce the discrepancy in the presentation of corporate financial statements. This will bring consistency, comparability, transparency, rationalisation, and adaptability to the field of accounting. As a result, the Companies Act of 1956 now has a revised schedule VI.

Benefits to Convergence to IFRSs

- 1. Easy access to global or international capital markets.
- 2. Easy comparisons and transparency.
- 3. True and fair valuation.
- 4. Increased trust and reliance.
- 5. Eliminates multiple reporting

IFRSs that are currently applicable

List of IAS/IFRSs and corresponding

IAS NO.	TITLE
IAS 1.	Presentation of financial statement
IAS 2.	Inventories
IAS 7.	Cash flows
IAS 8.	Accounting policies, change in accounting estimates and errors
IAS 10.	Events after the balance sheet date
IAS 11.	Construction contract
IAS 12.	Income taxes
IAS 16.	Property, plant and equipment
IAS 17.	Leases
IAS 18.	Revenue
IAS 19.	Employee benefits
IAS 20.	Accounting for government grants and disclosure of government assistance
IAS 21.	The effects of changes in the foreign exchange rates
IAS 23.	Borrowing costs
IAS 24.	Related party disclosures
IAS 26.	Accounting and reporting by retirement benefits plan

IAS 27.	Consolidated and separate financial statements
AS 28.	Investments in associates
AS 29,	Financial reporting in hyper inflationary economics
AS 31.	Interest in joint ventures
AS 32.	Financial instruments presentation
AS 33.	Earnings per share
AS 34.	Interim financial reporting
AS 36.	Impairment assets
AS 37.	Provisions, contingent liability and contingent assets
AS 38.	Intangible assets
AS 39.	Financial instruments: recognition and measurement
IAS 40.	Investment property
IAS 41.	Agriculture

5.5 THE BENEFITS OF IFRSs /IAS APPLICATION

In a commercial organisation, accounting and finance go hand in hand.

Information gathering, distribution, and exchange are all studied in accounting. Financial decisions that businesses must make in order to run their operations are the subject of the study of finance. Accounting-related data is necessary for finance to function. To translate accounting data for usage by the general public, accounting must have financial professionals.

Owners and managers of businesses typically need to have a solid understanding of three key areas of finance. Additionally, accounting is divided into three main categories.

The section of accounting that deals with external parties interested in the business organisation is called financial accounting. As an illustration, financial statements are created with external

investors in mind. In order to decide whether or not to invest in a business firm or maintain their investment in the company, investors must be able to examine financial documents including the income statement, the balance sheet, and the statement of cash flows.

Another external group of people—the company's creditors—are also interested in the financial accounts. These creditors may be the company's bondholders or they may be the company's debt holders. Creditors are those who have lent money to the company and are hoping to get a return on their investment and eventually get their principal back.

According to the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), financial accounting performs crucial financial reporting and collection tasks for commercial enterprises.

The field of accounting known as managerial accounting is responsible for acquiring and preparing financial data for internal users of corporate organisations, such as managers and employees.

Financial accounting, which is concerned with information for third parties, can be used as a comparison. The collection and preparation of financial information for insiders of the company is done in managerial accounting. According to the Institute of Certified Management Accountants, management accountants are the "value creators" among accountants, occupying a position in the corporate organisation between the finance personnel and the financial accountants.

In their managerial and control duties, managers make better company decisions using financial information. Since this material is intended for company insiders rather than the general public, much of it is secret. Additionally, as opposed to financial accounting, which employs historical information, management accounting works with "forward-looking" data. To foresee the best potential future information, they employ a number of forecasting approaches, including variance analysis, risk management, and cost-volume-profit analysis.

Some business experts believe that managerial accounting includes cost accounting, while others believe that cost accounting is a separate functional area of accounting. In any event, there is unquestionable overlap between cost accounting and managerial accounting.

By examining the fixed costs of the goods, they sell and their input costs, cost accounting examines the costs of production for a company organisation. To evaluate the financial performance of the company with reference to production costs, input costs are contrasted with output costs. Indirect

costs, often known as overhead, raw materials, and labour are frequently utilised cost components.

Managers frequently set up cost control programmes for the company firm using the data from cost accounting.

problems arising in the application of IAS/IFRSs

The process of changing the bookkeeping structure is not straightforward.

Substances may encounter a few nuances of malice during the shift. These problems are even more obvious in bookkeeping frameworks that diverge more from the recognised bookkeeping framework. As previous sections have stated, Azerbaijan's bookkeeping practises and systems differ from IFRS/IAS, and occasionally the comparison of the two directions is immaterial due to the absence of comparable applications. The concerns related to the application of

IFRS/IAS or NAS traditions are then addressed as a substance in the interpretation process. These problems can be grouped as follows:

- 1. The process of switching to IFRS is expensive. Aside from other expenses, the expenditures of preparing staff, software, and consultancy for IFRS are also incurred. Personnel training is crucial to the transition process. First-time IFRS/IAS or NAS agreements require extensive training for accounting and finance personnel. The fact that the standards are constantly evolving and improving means that this practise must likewise be ongoing. Establishing an appropriate IT system is important for a transitioning entity. This computer system is required in order to lower the costs associated with compiling financial data and creating financial statements.
- 2. The adoption of IFRS could impact an economy's performance and status. Explosiveness in the balance piece and compensation statement will be the result of the fair value financial broadcasting approach's layout. For instance, acknowledging weakening losses and redefining gains or declines may result in a drop or increase in an entity's justice. A change in the amount and valuation basis for assets, liabilities, and justice items will affect an entity's financial station. The formulation of pertinent judgements for the management and stakeholders who are not versed in IFRS may be made more difficult by this capriciousness.

- 3. Compound nature of global financial reporting standards. Some IFRS/IAS may have difficulty being properly presented due to their complexity. Some of these compound requirements include the accounting rules for pecuniary instruments, the decreasing test, and standards connected to the hedge accounting. An entity might lack the knowledge required to apply these rules. The way accounting is accompanied at the entity introduces even another challenge in the use of IFRS. For a very long time, accounting has been viewed as a form of legislation. Although the IAS/IFRS tender needs some decree, judgement was not a necessity from accountants. Additionally, this need shifts attention to the accounting framework. Accounting will be decided upon using a decision-making system rather than only a parliamentary one.
- 4. There is a need for workforces to adapt their accounting philosophies. Accounting has been viewed by the central government for a long time as bookkeeping and recording. However, IFRS provides various choices for commercial reporting, and an auditor must use his judgement and thought processes in the office setting. Accounting must be considered as a means of delivering crucial information for the entity's decision-making tenacity.
- 5. Running comparable accounting programmes. Since tax accounting does not change as a result of accounting evolution, this could cause issues when using parallel accounting creatures. In order to update financial statements and provide information to the tax authorities, a firm must maintain two accounting systems because IFRS/IAS and tax legislation apply distinct policies. These comparable reporting requirements are unfamiliar to entities. This could result in a further increase in writing expenses.

In conclusion, an individual may experience various difficulties when adopting IAS/IFRS. These negative effects include significant transition costs, differences in financial recording procedures, changes to the financial status and performance, and IFRS complications.

5.6 Role of financial accounting in business

For a corporate firm, accounting and finance go hand in hand.

Accounting is the study of information distribution and collection. Finance, in its broadest sense,

is the study of how businesses choose the investments and sources of finance they need to run their

operations. Accounting information is necessary for finance to function. For accounting to convert accounting information for general usage, financial experts are required.

Business owners and managers typically need to be informed in three key areas of finance.

Additionally, there are three main domains of accounting:

The section of accounting that deals with external parties interested in the business organisation is called financial accounting. As an illustration, financial statements are created with external investors in mind. In order to decide whether or not to invest in a business firm or maintain their investment in the company, investors must be able to examine financial documents including the income statement, the balance sheet, and the statement of cash flows.

Another external group of people—the company's creditors—are also interested in the financial accounts. These creditors may be the company's bondholders or they may be the company's debt holders. Creditors are those who have lent money to the business and are hoping to get paid back.

According to the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), financial accounting performs crucial financial reporting and collection tasks for commercial enterprises.

The field of accounting known as managerial accounting is responsible for acquiring and preparing financial data for internal users of corporate organisations, such as managers and employees.

Financial accounting, which is concerned with information for third parties, can be used as a comparison. The collection and preparation of financial information for insiders of the company is done in managerial accounting. According to the Institute of Certified Management Accountants, management accountants are the "value creators" among accountants, occupying a position in the corporate organisation between the finance personnel and the financial accountants.

In their managerial and control duties, managers make better company decisions using financial information. Since this material is intended for company insiders rather than the general public, much of it is secret. Additionally, as opposed to financial accounting's utilisation of historical data, management accounting deals with "forward-looking" data. To foresee the best potential future information, they employ a number of forecasting approaches, including variance analysis, risk management, and cost-volume-profit analysis.

some business experts believe that managerial accounting includes cost accounting, while others believe that cost accounting is a separate functional area of accounting. In any event, there is unquestionable overlap between cost accounting and managerial accounting.

By examining the fixed costs of the goods, they sell and their input costs, cost accounting examines the costs of production for a company organisation. To evaluate the financial performance of the company with reference to production costs, input costs are contrasted with output costs. Indirect costs, often known as overhead, raw materials, and labour are frequently utilised cost components.

Managers frequently set up cost control programmes for the company firm using the data from cost accounting.

Business enterprises use accounting in a variety of ways. Tax accounting exists. Business organisations can either hire external tax accountants or have internal tax accountants. Budgeting analysis is an internal function, while the auditing field is typically both internal and external.

Additionally, there is forensic accounting, which analyses financial and accounting data to support legal proceedings involving fraud and embezzlement, as well as governmental accounting, which falls beyond the realm of business.

As important to your company as successful sales is good bookkeeping. Accounting's job is to give you and any other stakeholders financial details about the business, such as sales income, benefit costs, and how much you owe your suppliers. You cannot manage your company's finances effectively unless you have access to the information provided by your accountants.

MANAGEMENT

You and other executives have access to information regarding company performance thanks to management accounting. You can think you're doing well while you're selling a lot of goods, but the accounting may tell a different tale. If the cost of 42 sales is high, your earnings will be lowered. You might not have enough cash on hand to pay your suppliers or the electricity bill if all of the sales are on credit.

Accounting gives you information about your finances so you can decide when to spend recklessly and when to be careful.

GOVERNMENT

faxes are a reality of doing business. You must pay taxes on the profits of your company, Social Security taxes on employee pay checks, sales taxes, and maybe more tax bills. The Internal Revenue Service or the state tax board may impose fines and penalties on you if you enter the amounts incorrectly. A professional accountant will advise you on how much to pay and whatever paperwork you need to complete in order to fulfil your duties. Your accountant gives you the data you need to disclose financial information to governmental regulators.

CONTROLS

The more your business expands, the more challenging it may get to manage the finances. That makes it simpler for a cunning but dishonest employee to defraud you, especially if he has access to the business accounts. A skilled accountant can recognise the tell-tale indicators of a problem, such as a questionable trend of withdrawals or pay checks sent to non-existent workers.

Accountants can also assist you in setting up procedures that lessen the likelihood of fraud.

INVESTMENTS

Nobody will invest money in your business with the expectation of losing it.

Investors aim to make money. Banks desire the repayment of their loans plus interest. The fundamental data on the ledger can be transformed by your accountant into a cash flow statement and a balance sheet, allowing other parties to quickly and easily summarise your financial situation. Hard financial data in accounting statements can persuade investors more about your company's investment potential than any amount of honeyed language ever could.

5.7 PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

Investigating and analysing the numerous facets and ramifications of financial accounting practises within the corporate environment is the goal of the study on the function of financial accounting in business. The following objectives are the focus of the study:

- Examine the Role: This study aims to define and explore the particular function of financial accounting in contemporary business operations. It seeks to give a thorough grasp of how financial accounting affects the performance and general operation of organisations.
- Analyse Transparency: The study's objective is to assess how financial accounting affects business transparency. In order to enable stakeholders to access and comprehend pertinent financial information, it aims to investigate how accurate and reliable financial reporting practises improve transparency.
- 3. Analyse Decision-Making: The study's goal is to evaluate how financial accounting affects organisational decision-making. It looks into how managerial choices regarding resource allocation and strategic planning are influenced by financial data that is given through financial statements and performance indicators.
- 4. Examine Stakeholder Confidence: The study's goal is to determine how financial accounting practises and stakeholder confidence are related. It aims to investigate how open financial reporting, thorough auditing procedures, and adherence to accounting standards help to establish and preserve stakeholder confidence, including that of investors, lenders, staff members, and the general public.
- 5. Investigate Regulatory Compliance: The study's goal is to investigate the legal frameworks and disclosure standards related to financial accounting. It looks at how accounting rules, including the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), affect business practises and weighs the advantages and drawbacks of following rules.
- 6. Promote Sustainable Business Practises: The study's main goal is to draw attention to the contribution that financial accounting makes to the advancement of sustainable business practises. It looks into the incorporation of sustainability into business decision-making by looking at how financial reporting might include non-financial performance indicators, environmental considerations, and social responsibility issues.

CHAPTER 2 LITERATURE VIEW

A dissertation's literature review part on the function of financial accounting in business gives a summary of the pertinent theories, research, and scholarly writings. It seeks to establish the current summary of the function and importance of financial accounting in the corporate setting. The understanding of the function and importance of financial accounting in the corporate setting. The literature study examines a number of topics, including stakeholder confidence, decision-making, transparency, and regulatory compliance. The literature review may touch on the following major themes:

- Financial accounting's definition and historical development are covered in the literature review, which lays the groundwork for future research. It examines the development of accounting frameworks, standards, and reporting practises, highlighting how these things have changed through time and the causes of those changes.
- 2. Financial Accounting Theoretical Frameworks: This review looks at the theories that support financial accounting principles. This could involve talking about important frameworks that influence financial accounting principles and practises, such as the conceptual framework for financial reporting, agency theory, stakeholder theory, and others.
- 3. Transparency and Financial Accounting: The literature review explores the significance of transparency in business operations and how financial accounting helps to achieve it. It goes on how to increase accountability and transparency through financial reporting, disclosure laws, auditing procedures, and corporate governance structures.
- 4. Financial Accounting and Decision-Making: This review investigates the connection between financial accounting data and organisational decision-making procedures. It talks about the information requirements of decision-makers, the applicability and dependability of financial statements, the use of financial ratios and key performance indicators in decision-making, and the effects of accounting data on resource allocation and strategic planning.
- 5. The literature study investigates the function of financial accounting in fostering stakeholder confidence, including that of investors, creditors, employees, and the general

public. It examines the value of accurate financial reporting, auditing, and assurance services in fostering stakeholders' confidence and credibility.

- Disclosure Requirements and Regulatory Frameworks: The evaluation examines the financial accounting regulatory environment, including the function of organisations that set standards, like the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) and the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) adoption, the effect of legislation on financial reporting practises, and the drawbacks and advantages of compliance are all covered.
- 7. Sustainability in Financial Accounting: The literature review investigates how to incorporate sustainability factors into financial accounting procedures. It looks into how organisations are incorporating sustainability reporting frameworks into their financial disclosures and the role that financial reporting plays in collecting non-financial performance indicators, environmental, social, and governance (ESG) aspects.
- 8. The literature review finds gaps in the corpus of knowledge, synthesises it, and conducts a critical analysis. It also lays the groundwork for the dissertation's research goals and approach. It offers a thorough grasp of financial accounting's function in business while highlighting the key ideas, theories, and empirical investigations that guide the study question.

CHAPTER 3 RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Are search technique describes how a researcher intends to conduct their research. It's a methodical, logical approach to solving a research challenge. A methodology describes a researcher's approach to the study in order to produce trustworthy, credible results that fulfil the researcher's goals and objectives. It includes what data will be gathered and where it will be collected, as well as how it will be collected and analysed.

exploratory research seeks to improve problem definition, clarify concepts, collect justifications, gain insights, dismiss unworkable ideas, and produce hypotheses. It provides comprehension and insights into the topic or circumstance.

Because we never know what challenges we will face during the study, conducting an exploratory study is especially beneficial. It aided in the clear development of my notions, the establishment of priorities, and the improvement of the final study design.

pescriptive research is a research method that outlines the features of the variables being studied.

This methodology emphasises solving the "WHAT" rather than the "WHY" of the research issue.

Rather than focusing on the "why," the major goal of this research approach is to characterise the characteristics of the demographic's underneath. It is referred to as an observational research approach because none of the factors included in the study are modified throughout the research process.

For the study, the qualitative method has been adopted. The study focuses on the existing accounting system, procedures and formats, monitoring mechanism and reporting standards of the departments.

DATA SAMPLING:

The study is limited to elementary education within department of public instruction. The levels that are looked into are block and school.

DATA SOURCES:

This study based on entirely on the primary and secondary data sources with use of advanced excels lools. Major sources of data are:

The primary data has been collected from university. The secondary data was collected from:

1. Annual report of education department.
2. Some articles from journal and websites.

CHAPTER 4 DATA ANALYSIS

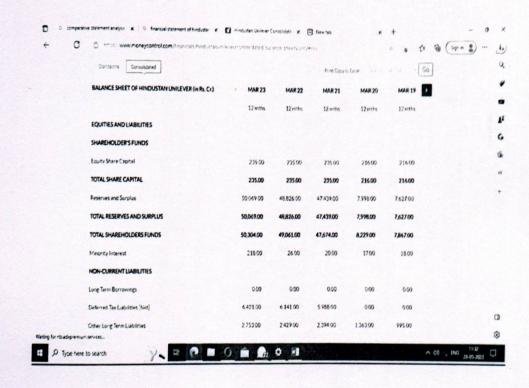
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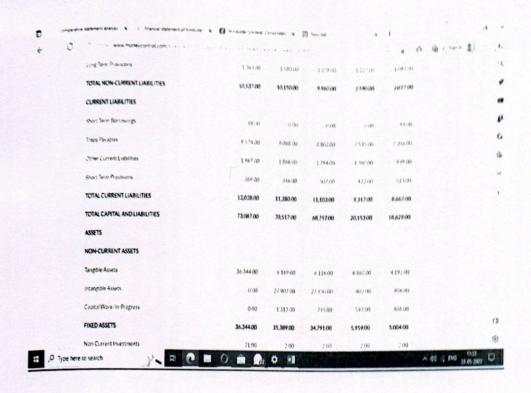
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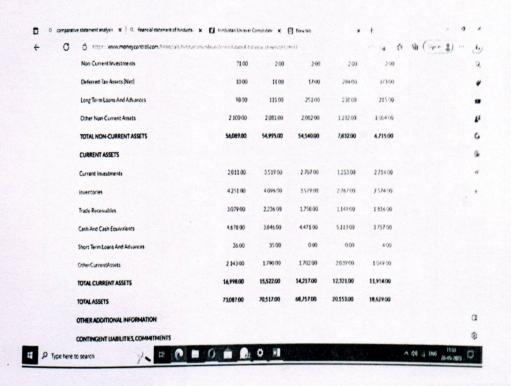
- Financial Ratio Analysis: To evaluate a company's financial performance and condition,
 calculate and analyse a variety of financial ratios. The ability of a corporation to satisfy its
 short- and long-term obligations, make profits, and manage risk can be shown by statistics
 including liquidity ratios, profitability ratios, and solvency ratios.
- 2. Trend Analysis: financial data over time to spot patterns, trends, and changes in important financial indicators. This study can be used to evaluate the effectiveness of financial plans, pinpoint areas in need of improvement or concern, and gauge the company's financial performance over time.
- 3. Comparative analysis: Evaluate the positions and financial results of other businesses operating in the same industry or sector. This study can help with performance benchmarking, identify leading or trailing organisations, and offer insights into industry benchmarks.
- 4. Regression Analysis: Use regression analysis to investigate the connections between financial variables like sales income and advertising costs. This analysis can assist in identifying important influencing elements and their impact on financial outcomes.
- 5. Cost analysis: Examine expenses and cost structures to comprehend the factors that affect costs, how costs behave, and how profitable particular goods, services, or business sectors are. Making pricing decisions, cost-cutting measures, and resource allocation plans can all benefit from this information.
- 6. Cash flow analysis: Analyse a company's cash inflows and outflows to determine its liquidity, cash flow patterns, and capacity to produce cash from operating operations. This research can be helpful in determining a company's capacity to pay short-term debts, invest in possibilities for growth, and provide steady cash flows.

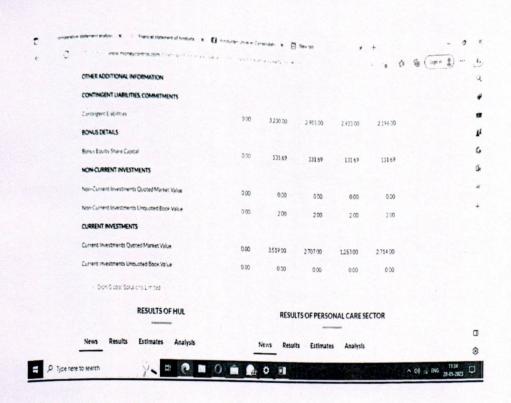
- 7. Risk analysis: Assess the financial risks that a company is exposed to, including credit risk, market risk, and operational risk. This analysis may include assessing risk exposures, calculating the effect of risk on financial performance, and creating risk-mitigation plans.
- 8. These are only a few illustrations of data analysis methods that can be used to examine how financial accounting functions in businesses. In order to respond to research questions and gain useful insights from the data, it is crucial to clearly establish research objectives, identify appropriate data sources, and pick the most pertinent analytical techniques.

PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS:









This is a practical implication on the HINDUSTAN UNILEVER LIMITED company. This a financial statement of previous five years. They provide the information of financial accounting or we can say that provide financial position of the company.

Research methodology: To give a thorough understanding of the function of financial accounting in company, this dissertation's research methodology combines qualitative and quantitative methods. To obtain pertinent data and insights, the study makes use of both primary and secondary data sources. The primary research consists of case studies, surveys/questionnaires sent to business executives, and interviews with experts in the field of financial accounting. To create a theoretical groundwork for the study, secondary research a thorough assessment of scholarly publications, papers, articles, and other pertinent literature.

Data Collection Methods: Professionals in the field of financial accounting will be interviewed to get primary data. Because these interviews will be semi-structured, open-ended questions can be used to elicit information about how financial accounting principles are actually used in the world of business. To get their opinions on the role of financial accounting in decision-making, transparency, and accountability, company professionals, including accountants, financial

managers, and executives, will also be given surveys and questionnaires. To investigate actual examples from the real world and their repercussions, case studies will be analysed. A thorough literature research will be used to gather secondary data. For the purpose of comprehending the historical progression, theoretical foundations, and contemporary developments in financial accounting, scholarly papers, books, reports, and other pertinent materials will be examined.

Techniques for Data Analysis: The gathered data will go through a thorough analysis procedure. Thematic analysis will be used to find recurrent patterns, themes, and concepts in the qualitative data gathered through interviews and case studies. The important elements relating to the function of financial accounting in business will be identified with the aid of this examination.

Statistics will be used to analyse the quantitative data from surveys and questionnaires. We will summarise the responses using descriptive statistics like frequencies and percentages. To investigate relationships and evaluate research ideas, inferential statistics techniques including correlation analysis, regression analysis, and hypothesis testing may be used.

An in-depth understanding of the function of financial accounting in business will be provided by integrating the results of the qualitative and quantitative investigations.

Limitations of the Study: It is important to recognise that every research study has some restrictions. The following are some possible restrictions on this dissertation:

Generalizability: The conclusions of this study might only apply to the sample and setting that were chosen, which would restrict their applicability to other sectors of the economy or geographical areas. When transferring the findings to new circumstances, caution should be taken.

Using Self-Reports: The study uses self-report data from surveys and interviews, which could be biassed or inaccurate. Participants might give sociably acceptable answers or have poor memory.

Data Quality and Availability: The study depends on the reliability and accuracy of financial accounting data obtained from a variety of sources. The analysis and interpretation of results may be impacted by restrictions on data availability or data quality.

CHAPTER 6 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMONDATION

CONCLUSION

some of the foundational concepts of accounting have been introduced in this dissertation. You now understand the fundamental terms used in bookkeeping and accounting, as well as the overall goals and duties of accounting and the distinctions between financial accounting and management accounting. You should also be able to name the three main financial statements—income statement, balance sheet, and cash flow statement—as well as their functions, and describe the various components of financial information, such as income/revenue, costs/expenses, assets, and liabilities.

By analysing performance over a specific time period and aiding the company in projecting future business performances, performance evaluation will assist a company in understanding many aspects of its business operations. Several parties, including various stakeholders like shareholders, creditors, employees, tax officials, the government, the media, etc., may use the information on business performance. Each of the aforementioned specialties can use the information from the performance evaluation to assess the firm's business operations, its future, and to help the firm make decisions because the evaluation will give a clear picture of the organization's financial status, financial viability, profitability, and resource management.

Additionally, with the right knowledge, shareholders and investors may choose wisely when it comes to their investments, identifying the suitable prospects and the likelihood of a successful conclusion. Tesco's organisation has undergone numerous adjustments as a result of the recent market and economic shifts. This is a result of both the recession and changes in the retail sector, which had an impact on all market participants. It's crucial to evaluate the market and the company's performance using various ratios when evaluating financing possibilities for a company like Tesco in order to comprehend the company's predicament. With that knowledge, a company like Tesco can explore fresh investment opportunities and choose the best course of action.

The capital structure of a corporation determines how it will finance its operations over the long run in order to maximise wealth and reap more benefits.

RECOMMENDATION

The recommendations are made based on the research completed after the findings and interpretations have been presented. Recommendations provide useful tips and direction for organisations, professionals, decision-makers, or other pertinent stakeholders. Consider the following format for the section on recommendations:

Businesses' Recommendations:

Give detailed advice to firms on their financial accounting procedures and how they affect business performance based on your findings. Take into account elements like financial reporting, internal controls, and record-keeping.

Offer ideas for improving the efficacy and efficiency of financial accounting operations, such as using new technology, providing personnel with training, or hiring professional accountants.

To ensure openness, accuracy, and compliance, emphasise the need of coordinating financial accounting procedures with industry standards, rules, and best practises.

Practitioner Recommendations:

Address suggestions for accountants, consultants, or financial experts who offer financial accounting services to firms.

Encourage ongoing professional growth and staying current with changing accounting rules and procedures.

Encourage professionals to maintain regular interactions and partnerships with company owners in order to comprehend their specific requirements and customise financial accounting services accordingly.

Policymakers' Recommendations:

Make suggestions for improving financial accounting rules, standards, and reporting requirements for legislators or regulatory organisations.

Promote legislation that would increase financial reporting's consistency, comparability, and transparency for the benefit of companies, investors, and other stakeholders.

Offer suggestions for ways to improve the supervision and enforcement of financial accounting standards in order to reduce fraudulent activity and safeguard stakeholders' interests.

Future Directions for Research:

In order to build on the current study and correct any shortcomings or gaps discovered during the research process, identify relevant areas for future research.

Determine particular research inquiries that can delve deeper into the function of financial accounting in business while taking various situations, sectors, or elements into account.

Encourage the use of cutting-edge approaches to further your understanding of the subject, such as longitudinal research, case studies, or experimental designs.

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