FOUNDATIONS OF BUSINESS

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CONCEPT OF BUSINESS

- What is Business?
- The term business is derived from ...
- being busy (local slang, dhandho)
- Business refers to any occupation in which people regularly engage in an activity with a view to earning profit
- What is Economics?
- Flute and Three Boys ...
- Economic activity may be further divided into
 - Business
 - Profession
 - Employment
- Business may be defined as an economic activity evolving the production and the sale of goods & services with a motive of earning profit

CHARACTERISTIC OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

- An economic activity
- Production or procurement of goods and services
- Sale or exchange of goods and services for the satisfaction of (in)human needs
- Dealings in goods and services on regular basis
- Profit earning
- Uncertainty of return
- Element of risk

BUSINESS FUNCTIONS AT ENTERPRISE LEVEL

 Major functions which are performed by business enterprises to carry on business are:

- Financing
- Production
- Marketing
- Human resource management

COMPARISON OF BUSINESS PROFESSION AND EMPLOYMENT

↓ Basic Aspects ↓	Business	Profession	Employment
Mode of establishment	?	?	?
Nature of work	?	?	?
Transfer of interest	?	?	?

Other aspects for comparison: Qualification, Reward (or, Return), Capital Investment, Risk, Code of Conduct

CLASSIFICATION OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY

- Two ways → guess?
- Industry and Commerce
- Industry is concern with the production or processing of goods and materials.
- Commerce includes all those activity which are necessary for facilitating the exchange of goods and services.



OBJECTIVES OF BUSINESS(?)

- \odot Formally ... they are stated as $\textcircled{\odot}$
- Market Standing
- Innovation
- Productivity
- Physical and financial resources
- Earning profits
- Manager performance and development
- Worker performance and attitude
- Social responsibilities

CAUSES OF BUSINESS RISK

- Natural causes
- Human causes
- Economic causes
- Other causes

STARTING A BUSINESS: BASIC FACTORS(?)

- Selection of line of business
- Size of the firm
- Choice of form of ownership
- Location of business enterprise
- Financing the proposition
- Physical facilities
- Plant layout
- Competent and committed worked force
- Tax planning
- Launching the enterprise

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- Which of the following does not characterize business activity
- a) Production of goods and services
- b) Presence of risk
- c) Sale or exchange of goods and services
- d) Salary or wages

- Which of the broad categories of industries covers oil refinery and sugar mills
- a) Primary
- b) Secondary
- c) Tertiary
- d) None of the above

- Which of the following cannot be classified as an auxiliary to trade
- a) Mining
- b) Insurance
- c) Warehousing
- d) transport

- The occupation in which people work for others and get remunerated in return is known as
- a) Business
- b) Employment
- c) Profession
- d) None of the above

- The industries which provide support service to other industries are know as
- a) Primary industries
- b) Secondary industries
- c) Commercial industries
- d) Tertiary industries

- Which of the following cannot be classified as an objective of business
- a) Investment
- b) Productivity
- c) Innovation
- d) Profit earning

- Business risk is not likely to arise due to
- a) Changes in government policy
- b) Good management
- c) Employee dishonesty
- d) Power failure

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