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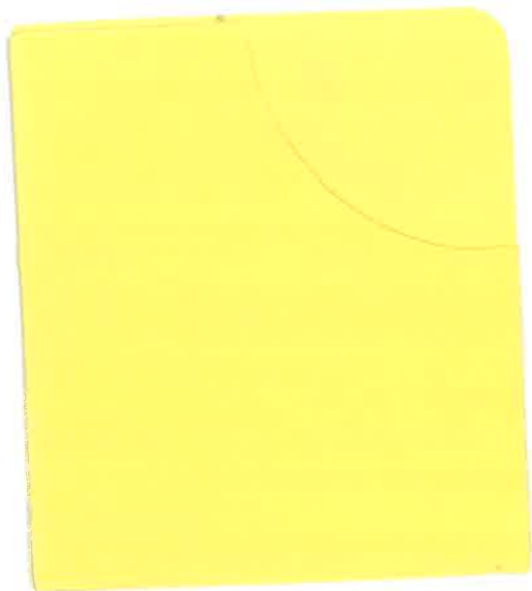
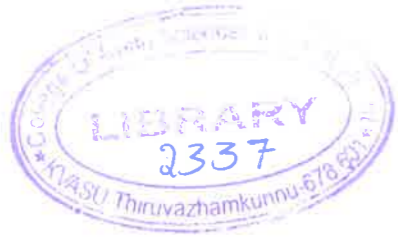
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To
My beloved parents
Stephen and Mary

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PREFACE

Security Analysis and Portfolio Management are the two different phases of wealth creation through investment in securities. Security Analysis helps to select the securities that have good potential for growth. These securities are identified with the help of different types of analysis such as Fundamental analysis (of Economy, Industry and Company), Technical analysis and Market efficiency analysis (based on Efficient Market Hypothesis). These securities can be purchased from the securities market which comprises of primary market and secondary market (stock exchanges). Investment in these securities is expected to generate positive return in the future; but, as the future is uncertain, there is an element of risk in such investment. Thus, return and risk are two interrelated features of investment in securities.

Wealth creation requires that the investor should maximize the return from investment and minimize the risk involved in it. One of the methods of minimizing risk is diversification of investment which can be done through the creation of a portfolio of different types of securities. An investor can design an optimal portfolio that will not only minimize the risk but also maximize the return. Portfolio Management is the process of designing and creating an optimal portfolio, revising such portfolio periodically to ensure that it continues to be optimal and finally evaluating the performance of the portfolio. Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) and Arbitrage Pricing Theory (APT) help in the estimation of the expected return of a portfolio which is a critical input for determining the success of portfolio management.

An alternative method of risk reduction in investment is the use of derivative instruments which are of recent origin. Forwards, Futures, Options and Swaps are the basic derivative instruments used for the purpose. The risk involved in the trading of an asset for investment purpose can be hedged (minimized) with the use of derivative instruments which is a novel practice in the financial markets.

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