VRINDAWAN e-UNIVERSITY

INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

(3 Credits)

Objective:

This course aims at giving in-depth knowledge of insurance business in terms of structure, products, pricing and risk management.

MODULE I – INTRODUCTION TO RISK MANAGEMENT (15)

Unit – 1: Risk management – Objectives of risk management – Risk management process – Identifying and evaluating potential losses – Selecting appropriate technique for treating loss exposure – Risk financing – Implementing and administering risk management program – Personal risk management – Loss forecasting

Unit - 2: Risk Assessment, Analysis, Evaluation, Risk Control and Treatment - Risk Reduction - Transfer and Sharing of Risk - Elimination and Retention of Risk

MODULE II - INTRODUCTION TO INSURANCE BUSINESS (15)

Unit 1: Definition of insurance - Characteristics of insurance - Principles of contract of insurance - General Concepts of Insurance - Insurance and hedging - Types of insurance - Insurance intermediaries

Unit 2 : Life Insurance Business - Fundamental principles of life insurance — Basic features of life insurance contracts - Life insurance products — Traditional and unit-linked policies — Individual and group policies - With and without profit policies — Types of life insurance policies — Term insurance — Whole life insurance and its variants — Endowment insurance and its variants — Annuities — Policies for children and females — Policies for handicapped lives — Pension plans — Health insurance — Claims settlement

Unit 3 : General Insurance Business - Fundamental principles of general insurance – Fire insurance – Marine insurance – Motor insurance – Personal accident insurance – Liability insurance – Miscellaneous insurance – Claims settlement

MODULE III: PRICING OF INSURANCE PRODUCTS (15)

Unit 1: Meaning of rate/premium, Objectives of rate making, Rate making in life insurance business – Basic methods of rate making – Net single premium – Net annual level premium – Premium concepts – Level premium – Basic premium – Office yearly premium – Premium tables – Tabular premium – Rebate – Extra premium – Rider premium – Bonus – Calculation of premium and bonus.

Unit 2: Rate making in general insurance business – Principles – Basic methods of rate making – Judgment rating – Class rating – Merit rating.

Unit 3: Insurance Regulations in India

Insurance Act, 1938 – Summary provisions of Insurance Act, 1938

Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA) – Introduction – Purpose, Duties, Powers and functions of IRDA – Operations of IRDA – Insurance policyholders' protection under IRDA – Exposure/Prudential norms.

Summary provisions of related Acts – Consumer Protection Act and Transfer of Property Act

Suggested Readings:

- 1. George Rejda, *Principles of Risk Management and Insurance*, Pearson Education.
- 2. S. Balachandran, General Insurance, Insurance Institute of India.
- 3. S. Balachandran, Karve, Palav, Life Insurance, Insurance Institute of India.
- 4. M. Y. Khan, Indian Financial System, Tata McGraw-Hill.
- 5. Bharti Pathak, *Indian Financial System*, Pearson Education.
- 6. C. Arthur, William Jr., Michael Smith, Peter Young, *Risk Management and Insurance*, McGraw-Hill
- 7. Trieschmann, Gustavson, Hoyt, *Risk Management and Insurance*, South Western College Publishing.
- 8. Gupta, P. K, *Insurance and Risk Management*, Himalaya Publishing House
- 9. Insurance Theory and Pratice, Nalini Prava Tripathy & Prabir Pal, Prentice Hall of India, Pvt Ltd, New Delhi

