## MFC 3.2 Financial Services Marketing

## **Objective**

This course acquaints student with the concept, tools and techniques of marketing financial services.

## **Course Inputs**

- 1. **Financial Services:** Role, concept, nature and characteristics; Financial services; marketing versus good marketing; Services marketing triangle; Strategic financial services marketing planning an overview.
- 2. **Marketing Environment:** Analyzing financial services marketing environment: macro and micro components; understanding financial services customer; Service qualities GAF model and quality dimensions.
- 3. **Market Segmentation and Positioning:** Segmenting financial service markets- need and bases; Market selection; positioning of financial services need, process and bases.
- 4. **Marketing Mix Strategy Development and Project Planning:** Need for expanded marketing mix; Concept of financial product; product levels; major product decisions; branding and product mix decisions, customer service strategy; Product life cycle and new product development; Innovation, diffusion and adoption.
- 5. **Pricing, Promotion and Distribution Decisions:** Price determination factors, process and strategies; promotion of financial products- communication process, promotion mix; planning; advertising, personal selling, public relations and sales promotion; Distributions strategies and channel alternatives.
- 6. **Planning for other Ps:** Process planning: role of blueprinting; Matching of demand and supply; People, employees and customers, their role and management; managing physical evidence.
- 7. Customer Relationship Management.
- 8. **Service Marketing Applications:** Marketing, retention strategies of some special fund and non-fund based financial services; leasing and hire purchase services, consumer finance, insurance and factoring; Mutual funds and credit cards.

## **Suggested Readings**

- Auerbach, Robert, D.: Money, Banking and Financial Markets, Macmillan Publishing Co., New York and Collier Macmillan Publisher, London
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- Payne, Adrian: The Essence of Services Marketing, Prentice Hall, New Delhi
- Redebaugh and Pittsburgh: Marketing of Banking Services, Prentice Hall, New Jersey
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