**BAFS DSE Analysis** 

2016 Paper I	2016 Paper II
Journal entry	SQ
<ul> <li>Business entity concept</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>limitations of using accounting ratio</li> </ul>
• Reasons for share price increase	<ul> <li>Herzberg's dual factory</li> </ul>
• investment decisions for investors	<ul> <li>direct distribution channel</li> </ul>
• Reasons for franchising	<ul> <li>objective of performance appraisal</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>legal and cultural</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>important of financial functions.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Gross Profit ration/net profit</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Purposes of budgeting</li> </ul>
ratio/return on capital employed	<ul> <li>two causes of favorable sales variance</li> </ul>
• Comment on profitability	
<ul> <li>Management by Objectives (MBO)</li> </ul>	Cases
<ul> <li>working capital/current</li> </ul>	• EOQ
ratio/liquid ratio	Inventory costs
• comment on liquidity	<ul> <li>cash management: cope with liquidity problems</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>purpose of controlling</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reasons to use Payback method</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>steps of controlling process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Three non-financial problems: online shopping project</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>secondary data</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>limitations of using secondary data</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>PLC: maturity stage</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>off-the-job training modes: personal selling</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>non-insurable risk</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>risk management strategies</li> </ul>
	Essay
	<ul> <li>Internal recruitment</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Functions of HR: support measures for mild mental</li> </ul>
	and physical disabilities
	<ul> <li>setting prices for new products</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>purchase decision-process</li> </ul>

201	5 Paper I	201	5 Paper II
•	Functions of Accounting	•	Ratios: (Functions and limitations)
	recording/classifying/		Profitability ratios
	summarizing/communicating		Liquidity ratios
•	Limitations of financial statements		solvency ratios
•	Business entity concept		Management efficiency ratios
•	Functions of <b>Trial Balances</b>	•	Sources of financing:
ullet	Limitations of Trial Balances		Long term vs short term
ullet	Personal accounts (a/c receivable and		debt vs equity
	payable accountsdo not need to be		internal vs external
	closed off)	•	Capital Investment Appraisal
•	Impersonal accounts:		NPV vs Payback (strengths and weakness)
	real accounts (asset/liability) X closed		financial vs non-financial factors
	Nominal accounts (revenue and	•	Working capital management
	expense accounts)closed		cash/account receivable and payable and inventory
•	Accrual concept/Consistency concept	•	Risk Management
•	Nominal vs effective rates of return		pure vs speculative risk
•	Consumer credit	•	Risk management strategies
	revolving vs non-revolving		Risk avoidance/assumption/reduction/transfer
	Instalment vs non-instalment		insurable vs non-insurable risks
•	Bank Overdrafts		Types of insurance
•	Types of credit card:		
	standard/premium/affinity credit card	•	Def of Marketing concept
•	Personal credit records	•	SWOT analysis
	Credit score and credit rating	•	Marketing strategies:
•	Forms of investment		leader/challenger/follower/Nicher
	saving and term deposits	•	Market research: Primary vs secondary data
	Deposit Protection Scheme	•	Data collection methods:
	Bonds: face value/coupon rate		survey/experimental/qualitative/observational
	Stock: voting rights/dividend	•	Factors affecting consumer decisions
•	MPF (\$7,100-25,000)		socio-cultural/psychological(maslow's)
	Employee Choice Arrangement	•	Market Segmentation
			(BY Geographic/demographic/psychographic/
			behavioural/ multiple-base)
•	HSI Hang Seng Index	•	Strategies in selecting target markets
	(50 constituent co)		undifferentiated/differentiated/concentrated
•	Bull vs bear market	•	Positioning (competitive advantages of a P/S)
			product/service/people/channel/image
		•	criteria of the right positioning or competitive ad

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• Characteristics of HK economy	(distinctive/important/superior/communicable
• CEPA/WTO/APEC	/preemptive/affordable/profitable)
• Joint Venture/Govt dept vs public	Individual Product strategies
corporations/Private vs Public	Product attributes/branding/packaging/
Limited co	labelling/support services)
• Types of partnerships:	• Product line level strategies
General vs limited	line stretching vs filling
	Product mix width/length/depth
• management skills:	Pricing strategies
conceptual/Interpersonal/Technical	Marketing objectives(survival/profit/share/quality) costs
• Mgt functions:	nature of market: perfectly / monopolistically
Planning(SMART goals)	competitive/ pure monopoly / oligopoly
<b>Organizaing</b> : Tall vs short structure	consumer demand/competitors' strategies
Span of control/communication/	• Placing strategies:
Line vs staff authority	(Direct/indirect distribution)
forming dept: functions/product/geog	(Intensive/exclusive/selective distribution)
Leading:	• Promotion strategies:
autocratic/participative/laissez-faire	advertising/sales promotion/public relations
<b>Controlling</b> : monitoring vs corrective	personal selling / direct marketing
measures	• Product life cycle: (Introduction/maturity/decline)
	• Service marketing
• Division of labour	(intangibility/inseparability/variability/perishability)
unity of command	• Traditional vs e-marketing
unity of direction	• CRM strategies
• authority vs responsibility/delegation	Manpower planning
• SME vs MNC	• labour demand vs labour supply
	(permanent / temporary hire or outsourcing)
Income statement	(Natural attrition/layoff/termination/early
Consistency principle in accounting	retirement/voluntary resignation inducements
Forms of business ownership	• recruitment
	Internal candidates: intranet and email
Investor compensation fund	External candidates: ad in the mass media/internet
	employment agency/employee referral/ professional
	institutions/trade unions/job fairs
	• selection: aptitude tests/ physical abilities/ mental
	abilities/ personality test
	• Work sampling technique/interview(group vs stress)
	• Appraising methods:
	Graphic rating/simple ranking/MBO

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•	Peer/self appraisal, evaluation by subordinates/
	360 degree
•	Factors affect accuracy of performance appraisal
	unclear evaluation standards/central tendency
	Halo effect/ personal preferences or biases
	different degree of leniency or strictness of
	evaluators
•	Direct compensation: time- vs performance-based
	salaries vs piece rate/commission/bonus/merit pay
•	Indirect compensation: insurance/retirement
	benefits/pay for time not work(holiday/paid
	leave/sick leave/maternity/severance pay), personal
	services and family-friendly benefits
•	On-the job training: coaching/job rotation
•	off-the job training:
•	Apprenticeship training/classroom training
•	ICT (programmed learning)training
•	simulated training/role play
•	Labour union
•	employment ordinance:(p133)
•	employee's compensation ordinance p134
•	orientation training
•	Motivational theory: Maslow's Hierarchy of needs,
	Herzberg's Two Factor, MxGregor Theory X and Y
	Expectancy/Equity
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201	4 Paper I	2014 Paper II
•	nominal partner (partnership)	Section A
		• <u>Types of insurance restaurant:</u>
•	Management skills	Public liability insurance/ employees'
	functions of marketing department	compensations/comprehensive
		• Economic Order Quantity (EOQ)
•	Book of original entry	• re-order level
		• Vroom's Expectancy Theory
•	real account / nominal account	• <u>Sampling techniques (marketing research)</u>
•	financial statement / income	(Random, Convenience, Stratified)
	statement	• <u>New product pricing</u> : Differences: skimming vs
		penetration pricing strategy
•	present value / government bonds	Section B
		• <u>Performance appraisal methods</u> : critical incident
•	effective management: unity of	MBO (management by objective)
	command	Graphic rating scale
•	Problems	Ranking
		• <u>Good relationships with retailers</u> : better credit terms,
		monetary incentives, advertising and promotional
		allowance, alliance with store chains
		<ul> <li><u>Steps in designing training programs</u></li> </ul>
		• <u>Working capital management:</u> improve cash flows
		• <u>Buying behaviour:</u>
		Consumer market vs business market
		• <u>e-marketing strategies</u>
		• sources of finances
		• <u>risk to airline: macro-environmental</u>
		Section C
		Human resources functions
		**manpower planning / **recruitment
		**performance management
		**training and development / **employee relations
		• Investment appraisal methods:
		NPV vs payback vs IRR vs ARR
		Consumer buying process
		Consumer rights

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201	3 Paper I	2013 Paper II	
•	Benefit of using credit cards	Section A	
•	Personal credit records	• Functions (uses) of <u>performance appraisal</u>	
		• Factors of granting <u>credit to consumer (5Cs)</u>	
•	External factors affect business	Character, capacity, capital, collateral, condition	ons
	decisions: technological, social,	<ul> <li><u>Customer relationship management (CRM)</u></li> </ul>	
	economic, legal, physical, political	<ul> <li>Progressive disciplinary actions</li> </ul>	
		• adv: <u>divisional departmentalization</u> by	
•	Business entity concept	geographical location	
•	Historical cost principle	Importance of contracts	
		Section B	
•	Functions of information	<ul> <li><u>Risk management strategies</u></li> </ul>	
	management	(avoidance/reduction/transfer/assumption)	
		• Data collection methods:	
•	2-column cash book	(survey, qualitative, observational, experiment	s)
		• <u>Criteria for evaluating a market segment</u>	
•	division of work	(purchasing power of target, growth of segmer	nt,
		competitions, distinctiveness)	
•	MBO	• <u>sources of capital</u> (shares, LT bond, LT loan,	
•	Advantages of MBO	Joint-venture)	
		<ul> <li><u>ways of promotions</u>(advertising, sales promoti</li> </ul>	on,
		public relations, personal selling)	
		<ul> <li>McGregor's <u>Theory X and Theory Y</u></li> </ul>	
		• Types of <u>monetary compensation</u> : (commission	n,
		bonus, merit pay, profit sharing, stock option)	
		• How training due with Characteristics of	
		services(intangibility, heterogeneity, inseparab	ility,
		perishability)	
		• Payback period vs NPV	
		Section C	
		• <u>Accounting ratio</u> (liquidity, debt mgt/solvency,	
		activity, profitabilty ratio)	
		• <u>Causes of budget variance</u>	
		(sales/inventories/labour/rental)	
		<ul> <li><u>Product life cycle (PLC)</u>: Growth stage</li> </ul>	
		• <u>internal promotion</u>	

2012	2012 2 Paper I	2012 Paper II
•	limitations of using financial	Section A
	statements	• <u>Indirect compensation</u> (benefits other than normal
		wages and salaries)
•	Functions of operations	• purpose
	management (inventory	• elements of a sales and purchases contract
	mgt/design of production process/	(offer/acceptance/consideration)
	quality control)	• <u>Collective bargaining</u> (improve communication.
		enhance efficiency, facilitate discussion and mutual
•	mutual fund (risk diversified/	understanding, systemic)
	simplified assets mgt)	• <u>Three management functions: planning, organizing,</u>
		leading, controlling)
•	low risk financial instruments:	• <u>e-marketing: distribution functions)</u>
	(fixed time deposit, govt bonds,	cost-saving/wide coverage/convenience/extended
	exchange fund bills)	service hours)
		Section B
•	2 principles of effective	• EOQ: reduce inventory cost
	communication: courtesy,	• Hedge(Euro) exchange rate risk: buy and deposit
	concreteness, completeness)	Euro, buy forward contracts on Euro, buy call options
		of Euro, buy futures on Euro
•	Financial statement	• <u>Marketing concept:</u> Satisfy customers' needs & wants
•	Gross profit ratio	• Steps of <u>customer decision-making process</u>
		• Marketing Mix: 4Ps
•	Going concern	• <u>low morale:</u> (high absenteeism/labour turnover, lower
		job satisfaction, poor performance)
•	stakeholders	• Herzberg's Dual-Factor theory
		• <u>Uninsurable risk:</u> (difficult to measure the
•	sole proprietor vs partnership	probability of financial loss, loss is not accidental, risk
_		is speculative, law of large number is not easily
•	Good business goals:	applied)
	(SMART)	• <u>Elements of credit policies: (collection policy, credit</u> term, credit standard)
		• Sources of funding for takeover: (shares, debenture,
		LT bank loans, liquidation on fixed assets) Section C
		<ul> <li>Steps in designing a Training program</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Steps in designing a Training program</li> <li>NPV</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>MPV</li> <li>Market segmentation of a new hotel</li> </ul>
		• CRM (customer relationship management)

## 2011 Sample Paper

2011         Sample Paper           2011 Paper I         2011 Paper II		
	Section A	
• <u>Element of business plan</u> (mission/business plan)		
(mission/business objectives)	• CRM help increase sales: (identify valuable	
form of ownership	customers, provide customized products or services,	
operation mgt,marketing mgt	offer cross-selling/up-selling, establish long-term	
financial mgt, HR mgt	relationship with customers-LT sales)	
contingency actions	• <u>Right of consumers</u> :(right to informed/safety/heard choose)	
• External factors affect business	• <u>Hedge</u> against foreign exchange risk	
decisions: technological, social,	• <u>manage accounts receivable effectively:</u> establish a	
economic, legal, physical, political	workable credit policy, written policy with valid	
	credit terms, sending invoices for payment promptly,	
• Criteria for accessing Franchise	immediate follow-up measures for overdue payment	
(franchisor's reputation, restrictions	• Disadvantages of interview:	
and obligations, initial joining fee	• staff disciplinary system:	
and royalty, support and assistance	Section B	
offered, e.g. promotion, training,	• Low staff morale: Herzberg's dual factor/McGregor's	
franchisor's positioning and	theory X and Y	
strategies match own expectation	<ul> <li>Benefits of training and development programs</li> </ul>	
and desire)	<ul> <li>Steps in Training process</li> </ul>	
	• NPV	
• <u>Types of financial products</u>	• Financial and non financial factors	
(shares, bonds, commercial papers		
or other notes, derivatives., e.g.	Risk Management Strategies	
futures, warrants and options,	• Characteristics of service: unsatisfactory occupancy	
funds)	rate	
	• Marketing plan of membership scheme: SWOT	
• Factors considered to invest in	analysis, target market and positioning, 4Ps,	
certain financial products:	implementation and evaluation	
(expected return, risk bearing	• ways to increase sales during off-peak hours	
ability, liquidity of the financial	Section C	
product, time and effort involved	• Government assistance of SMEs	
in monitoring the investment)	• Differences: SME vs Large corporation	
	Buying decision-making process	
• NPV	• marketing mix strategies: business vs individual	
• Gross profit /net profit ratio	consumers	
<ul> <li>liquidity</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Measures to minimize workers'</li> </ul>		
dissatisfaction with layoffs		

201	0 Paper I	2010 Paper II
•	Stakeholders of a construction	Section A
	company( employees, customers,	• Advantages of debt financing
	suppliers, creditors, government)	• Activity ratios: Inventory turnover, collection
•	Social responsibilities	periods, total asset turnover
•	Current ratio / quick ratio	• Channels of external recruitment: job advertisements
		job fairs/walk-in days/ employment
•	Monthly instalment	agencies/headhunters/employees' referrals/labour
		dept
•	Third-liner vs blue-chips	• Consumer protection measures: legislation,
•	Financial vs market risk	consumer education, product research and testing,
•	Reasons to prepare financial	handling consumer complaints
	statements	• Consumer vs business market
•	Income statement	• Conciliation vs arbitration
		Section B
•	Tall vs flat organizational structure	• Authoritarian leadership: make decisions all by
•	Span of control	herself
		• Employees Dissatisfactions:
•	Internal communication:	Maslow's Hierarchy of needs / McGregors' Theory
	(electronic means)	X and Y
		• Improve coordination's among employees:
		formal and regular meetings/ written rules and
		procedures/informal mechanisms (social gathering)
		<ul> <li>Steps in Manpower planning</li> <li>Steps in Manpower planning</li> </ul>
		• Sources of funding: (invite friends/relatives as
		partners/delay payments to creditors/speed up
		collections from debtors/bank loans/borrow money
		from others
		PLC     particular particular NIDV
		<ul> <li>payback period vs NPV</li> <li>Markating minu 4Da</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Marketing mix: 4Ps</li> <li>Budget variance</li> </ul>
		• Budget variance
		Section C
		Steps in conducting market research
		Risk management strategies Human resources functions
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