# Class 11 Accountancy - Chapter 1: Introduction to Accounting

## ### What is Accounting?

Accounting is the process of identifying, measuring, recording, and communicating financial information to users for decision-making.

## ### Objectives of Accounting:

- 1. To maintain systematic records of financial transactions.
- 2. To determine profit or loss of the business.
- 3. To ascertain the financial position of the business.
- 4. To provide information to stakeholders for decision-making.

#### ### Importance of Accounting:

- Helps in decision-making.
- Ensures compliance with laws and regulations.
- Assists in financial planning and budgeting.
- Facilitates taxation and auditing processes.

#### ### Basic Accounting Terms:

- 1. \*\*Assets\*\* Resources owned by a business (e.g., cash, inventory, buildings).
- 2. \*\*Liabilities\*\* Financial obligations of a business (e.g., loans, creditors).
- 3. \*\*Capital\*\* Owner's investment in the business.
- 4. \*\*Revenue\*\* Income earned by a business from operations.
- 5. \*\*Expenses\*\* Costs incurred in running the business.
- 6. \*\*Profit/Loss\*\* Difference between total revenue and total expenses.

## ### Limitations of Accounting:

- Ignores qualitative aspects (e.g., employee satisfaction).
- Based on historical data, not future predictions.
- Can be influenced by accounting policies.