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Equity Research Initiative

Phase 1: Introduction to Finance and MS Excel

Objective:

- * To get introduced to the world of finance. To understand the basics of the commonly used terminology in finance and accounting.
- * To get introduced to Microsoft Excel and some of its functionality, which is useful for Ratio Analysis and Valuation.

Assignment and Guidelines:

- Download the Video Lectures and the ERI Guidebook. Go through them meticulously.
- From the ERI Guidebook, please refer to the following sections: *Investment* Research and Equity Research Initiative, What is a Company?, Broad Approach of Analyzing Share Price Movement, Understanding Financial Statements (Pages 3 - 33).
- Download the Unsolved Excel Workbook that has been shared. Attempt to solve the Workbook on your own, to familiarize yourself with the tools covered.
- Download the Solved Excel Workbook that has been shared to check the accuracy of your attempt.
- To expand your knowledge, please refer to the Optional Resource Material provided. This is not compulsory.