

CAPITAL BUDGETING / INVESTMENT DECISIONS.

This involves commitment of funds in long term projects which will generate benefits in future.

Characteristics of Capital budgeting projects

1. They are long term projects
2. Requires huge initial Capital Commitment
3. Benefits are expected to be realized in future
4. They are irrevocable projects - Once the project is undertaken, it will be difficult to abandon.
5. They are highly risky - Since it requires huge Capital commitment and benefits are realized in future which is uncertain.

Types of Capital Budgeting projects

1. Mutually Exclusive projects

They are projects which are alternate of each other i.e. they compete against each other. Therefore they are substitute of each other. and hence if one project is undertaken, the other project is automatically rejected.

2. Independent projects.

They are projects which serve different purposes i.e. they don't compete against each other. The happening of one project does not affect the other project. They can be undertaken simultaneously.

3. Dependent projects / Complementary / Contingent projects.

They are projects which depends on each other and therefore, if one project is undertaken, the other project also will be undertaken.

4. Divisible project

Is a project which can start generating incomes even before they are completed.

5. Indivisible projects

Is a project which must be fully completed before they start generating inflows.

6. Replacement projects

This involves replacing an old and inefficient asset with a new and more efficient asset.

7. Acquisition projects

This involves buying a completely new asset where none existed before.

Project Evaluation Techniques

This involves cost-benefit analysis in order to determine which projects to accept or reject.

There are 2 techniques used:

- Non-discounting Techniques (Traditional technique)
- Discounting Techniques

(a) Non-Discounting Techniques

This technique ignores the concept of time value for money.

They include:

- Payback Period (PBP)
- Accounting Rate of Return (ARR)

1. Payback Period (PBP)

PBP refers to the length of time taken to recover the initial capital invested in a project.

→ The shorter the PBP, the better and less risky the project is.

Illustration 1

Consider a 5 year project whose initial investment is Rm 100,000 and the project is expected to generate the following cash-flows

Year	1	2	3	4	5
Cashflows	35,000	30,000	35,000	25,000	20,000

Required: Calculate the payback period of the project.

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solution

Period	Cashflows	Accumulated Cashflows
1	35,000	35,000
2	30,000	65,000
3	35,000	100,000 → payback period
4	25,000	125,000
5	20,000	145,000

$$PBP = 3 \text{ years}$$

Illustration 2

Assuming the above cashflows but with initial capital of Rm 120,000. Compute PBP

Period	Cashflows	Accumulated Cashflows
1	35,000	35,000
2	30,000	65,000
3	35,000	100,000 → Rm 120,000
4	25,000	125,000
5	20,000	145,000

$$PBP = 3 \text{ yrs} + \left[\frac{\text{Capital} - \text{lower limit}}{\text{upper limit} - \text{lower limit}} \times 12 \right]$$

$$= 3 \text{ yrs} + \left[\frac{120,000 - 100,000}{145,000 - 100,000} \times 12 \right] = 3 \text{ years' 10 months}$$

Incase of Annuity cashflow

The following formula is applied where the cashflows are annuities.

$$PBP = \frac{\text{Initial Capital Investment}}{\text{Annuity}}$$

Advantages of payback period method

1. It's easier to compute and understand.
2. It uses cashflows to evaluate projects instead of accounting profits.
3. It's normally used by managers who fears risks.
4. It emphasizes on liquidity risk by considering projects with shorter payback period.

Disadvantages

1. It ignores the concept of time value of money.
2. It ignores the cashflows of the project after PBP.
3. It penalizes the projects which generates higher returns infact it does not give a decision incase of one project.
4. It does not use all cashflows when evaluating the project.

2 Accounting Rate of Return (ARR)

This method uses accounting profit to evaluate projects. It is computed as follows:

$$ARR = \frac{\text{Average Accounting profit (EAT)}}{\text{Average Investment}} \times 100\%$$

$$\text{Average Investment} = \frac{\text{Initial Investment} + \text{Salvage Value}}{2}$$

Illustration 1

Consider a 4 year project whose initial investment is Rs 150,000 with a salvage value of Rs 50,000. The project is expected to generate the following accounting profits.

Year	1	2	3	4
EAT	40,000	30,000	20,000	10,000

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Average EAT} &= (40+30+20+10) \div 4 = 25,000 \\ \text{Average Investment} &= (150+50) \div 2 = 100,000 \end{aligned}$$

$$ARR = \frac{25,000}{100,000} \times 100\% = \underline{\underline{25\%}}$$

Decision Criteria

1. Incase of mutually exclusive project, select the project with higher ARR

Adv of AAR

1. It's easier to compute and understand.
2. It uses accounting profit which is readily available in financial statement.
3. It uses all accounting profit when evaluating the project.
4. It requires no adjustments to due profit unlike other methods.

Disadvantages

1. It does not take into account time value of money.
2. It ignores fluctuations of profits during the economic life.
3. In case of one project, it does not give a decision.

(b) Discounting Techniques

They are techniques which takes into account time value of money by computing present value of all expected cashflows of the project.

→ This method is consistent with the shareholders wealth maximization goal. They include:

1. Discounted payback period (DPBP)
2. Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR)
3. Net Present Value (NPV)
4. Profitability Index (PI)
5. Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

Factors of an ideal investment Appraisal method.

1. It should consider all cashflows.
2. It should use cashflows rather than accounting profit.
3. It should take into account time value of money.
4. It should give a clear decision on whether to either accept or reject.
5. It should help in ranking the projects.

1. Discounted Payback Period.

Illustration: I

Consider a 5 year project with initial investment of Ksh 100,000 and the project is expected to generate the following cashflows.

Year	1	2	3	4	5
Cashflow	35000	30000	30000	25000	20000

Assuming the cost of capital of 10%. Determine DPBP solution.

Period	Cashflows	DVf ^{10%}	PR	Accumulated PR
1	35000	0.9091	31818.5	31818.5
2	30000	0.8264	24792	56610.5
3	35000	0.7513	26295.5	82906.
4	25000	0.6830	17075	99981 → 100,000
5	20000	0.6209	12418	112399

$$PBP = 4 \text{ years} + \left[\frac{100,000 - 99,981}{12418} \times 12 \right] = 4 \text{ yrs}$$

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2. Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR)

Under this technique, it assumes that the cashflows generated can be re-invested to earn more returns. It is computed as follows:

$$MIRR = \sqrt[n]{\frac{\text{Future value of cashflow}}{\text{Initial investment (Pvcof)}}} - 1$$

May 2019 Q 5d

Period	Cashflow	FVIF (1+r) ⁿ	FV
1	400,000	1.14 ³	1.4815
2	120,000	1.14 ²	1.2996
3	80,000	1.14 ¹	1.14
4	60,000	1.14 ⁰	1
			514,568

$$MIRR = \sqrt[n]{\frac{\text{FV of cashflow}}{\text{Pvcof}}} - 1$$

$$MIRR = \sqrt[4]{\frac{514,568}{300,000}} - 1 = 14.44\%$$

Decision criteria

1. Accept the project if MIRR > Cost of Capital.
2. Reject the project if MIRR < Cost of Capital.

3 Net Present Value (NPV)

This is the difference between present value of cashflow (PvciF) and present value of cash outflows (PvcoF).

$$NPV = PvciF - PvcoF$$

Decision criteria

1. If NPV is positive, accept the project
2. If NPV is negative, reject the project
3. If NPV = 0, then the investor is indifferent.

Dec 2007 Q 1b

Magnani Ltd is considering uptake of the following mutually exclusive project to invest in. Each project will generate cashflows over a 3 year period.

Project	Cost	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
M	10M	5M	5M	5M
N	10M	0	0	17.28M

The cost of capital for each project is 10%. Ignore taxation.

Required:

Determine which project to undertake using

- i) NPV
- ii) IRR
- iii) MIRR

Solution

$$NPV = PVCF - PVCOF$$

Project M

$$PVCF = 5M \times PVIFA_{10\%}^3$$

$$\frac{5M \times 2.4869}{(10)} = \frac{12.4345}{PVCOF}$$

$$\frac{12.4345}{2.4345} = NPV$$

Project N

$$PVCF = 17.28 \times PVIFA_{10\%}^3$$

$$\frac{17.28 \times 0.7513}{(10)} = \frac{12.982}{PVCOF}$$

$$\frac{12.982}{2.982} = NPV$$

Comment: Both projects have the same NPV but they are mutually exclusive, so undertake project N since it has higher NPV.

(1) May 2006 Q1b

Cashflow statement

Year	1	2	3	4	5
	\$1000	\$1000	\$10000	\$10000	\$10000
Sales revenue (\$8x600)	4800	4200	4200	3000	1800
Variable cost (\$8x200)	(1920)	(1680)	(1680)	(1200)	(720)
Fixed cost	(600)	(600)	(600)	(600)	(600)
EBDFT	2280	1920	1920	1200	480
less: Dep (6-1.5) ÷ 5	(900)	(900)	(900)	(900)	(900)
EBT	1380	1020	1020	300	(420)
less tax (30%)	(414)	(306)	(306)	(90)	(0)
EAT	966	714	714	210	(420)
add back depreciation	900	900	900	900	900
Cashflows	1866	1614	1614	1110	480
add: Salvage value	-	-	-	-	1500
PVIF _{10%}	0.9091	0.8264	0.7513	0.6830	0.6209
present value	1696	1334	1213	758	1229
Total present value	6230				
less PVCOF	(6000)				
NPV	230				

Accept the project since NPV is positive.

Assg June 2006 Q1b

Changes in working Capital Items

- Working capital refers to current asset - current liabilities
- Working capital is treated as an outflow at the initial stage and an offset inflow at the end of economic life

June 2008 Q3 b.

Bacardi Ltd is considering investing in a new processing machine costing Sh 25 million. The machine would be used for five years and thereafter be disposed of for Sh 5 million at the end of 5th year.

Additional Information:

1. Additional raw material amounting to Sh 5 million would be required at the beginning of the five-year period. This would increase account payables by Sh 2 million. These changes in working capital would reverse at the end of 5th year.
2. The new machine would increase the company's annual gross profit from Sh 12 million to 24 million.
3. Incremental fixed cost would amount to Sh 2.2 million per annum.
4. Additional machine operator would be employed at a cost of Sh 1,600,000 per annum.
5. The new machine would be depreciated on a straight line basis.
6. The cost of capital is 12%.
7. The corporation tax is 30%.

Required:

Using NPV, advise the company on whether to invest in the new machine (COMMA)

Solution:

$$NPV = PVCF - PVCOF$$

Initial cost	25
Working Capital (5-2)	3
	28

Cashflow statement

Incremental gross profit (24-12)	12
Incremental fixed cost	(2.2)
Machine operator cost	(1.6)
EBT	8.2
Tax EAT	2.46
add: Dep tax shield Benefit $(25-5) \div 5 = 4 \times 30\%$	5.74
Annual cashflows	1.2
PVIFA 12% 5	6.94
PV of annuity	3.6048
	25.017

Terminal Benefits

Salvage value	5
Working Capital	3/8

$$PV \text{ of terminal benefit} = \frac{8 \times PVIF_{12\%}^5}{8 \times 0.5674} = 4.54$$

Total present value = Annuity	25.017
Terminal Benefit	<u>4.54</u>
PVCF	29.557
PVOF	(28)
NPV	<u>1.557 M.</u>

Comment: Accept the project since NPV is positive.

Adv of NPV technique

1. It takes into account time value of money.
2. It gives a clear decision on whether to accept or reject a project.
3. It uses cashflow in evaluation of projects.
4. It uses all cashflows.
5. It is consistent with shareholders goal of wealth maximization.

Disadvantages

1. Cashflows used in evaluation of project are usually estimated.
2. It assumes that the cost of capital will remain ~~not~~ constant during the period under analysis.
3. In some cases it gives conflicting results with IRR.

H Profability Index (PI)

This is a relative measure of risk. It indicates the return for every rupee invested in the project.

- It's mostly applicable when there exist Capital Rationing for viable project.
- It's calculated as follows:

$$PI = \frac{PVCIF}{PVOF}$$

Decision Criteria

1. If $PI > 1 (+)$, accept the project.
2. If $PI < 1 (-)$, reject the project.
3. If $PI = 1$, the investor is indifference.

• NPV is the absolute measure of risk while PI is the relative measure of risk. Both NPV and PI will give the same decision when evaluating the project and therefore the advantages and disadvantages of NPV will be the same with that of PI.

• The only difference is that PI is used when the company is experiencing capital rationing to undertake all viable projects.

Capital Rationing

This is due scarcity of the investment funds. There are 2 types of Capital Rationing:

(a) Soft / Internally generated Capital Rationing.

This occurs when the shortage of the investment funds is as a result of action of the management. It may occur due to:

1. When the management have set a limit on budget for the funds to be invested.
2. Where the project can only be invested using internally generated funds.
3. Where the mgmt refuses to raise additional capital through issue of shares to avoid dilution.
4. Where the mgmt refuses to borrow to avoid commitment of future payment of interest or principle.

(b) Hard / Externally generated Capital Rationing

This is due shortage of investment funds due to factors not within the control of the management. It may arise due to the following:

1. When the Capital Market is depressed thereby making it impossible to reuse finances.
2. High demand of fund by well established firms.
3. Lack of collateral security in case of borrowing.
4. High issue cost of the debt therefore affecting borrowing.

N.B:

1. Both either soft or hard Capital rationing can persist for a period less than one accounting year, this is known as Single Period Capital Rationing.
2. However if the scarcity of funds persist for more than one year, it is known as Multi-period Capital rationing.

May 2012 Q 4(b)

ABC Ltd has the following proposed independent projects for the year ended 31 Dec 2012.

Project Cash Outflow Present Value of future net cashflows

A	500	1000
B	1000	2500
C	400	300
D	300	400
E	200	300

Required

D Assuming there is no Capital rationing, indicate which projects to select

- (ii) Total NPV of the selected project
 (iii) Assuming a single period internal Capital constraint of \$4,170,000 is imposed, indicate which projects should be selected (6 marks)

Solution:

i) Accept only if NPV is positive

$$NPV = PVCF - PVCOF$$

		<u>comment</u>
A	$1000 - 500 = 500$	select
B	$2500 - 1000 = 1500$	select
C	$300 - 400 = -100$	
D	$400 - 300 = 100$	select
E	$300 - 200 = 100$	select

(ii) Total NPV

$$500 + 1500 + 100 + 100 = \underline{2200}$$

(iii) Capital rationing of 1700

$$PI = \frac{PVCF}{PVCOF}$$

Project	$PVCF \div PVCOF = PI$	<u>Ranking</u>
A	$1000 \div 500 = 2$	2
B	$2500 \div 1000 = 2.5$	1
D	$400 \div 300 = 1.33$	4
E	$300 \div 200 = 1.5$	3

Capital Balance

Project B

1700

(1000)

700

(500)

200

(200)

0

Project A

Project E

Projects to undertake = B, A & E

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$$DPI = 50 \div 5 = 10$$

Selection

Project A

EBDT

42

less: Dep.

(10)

EBT

32

tax

(9.6)

EAT

22.4

add back dep

10

Annuity

32.4

PVIFA_{12.8%}

3.6048

116.796

$$PI = \frac{PVCF}{PVCOF} = \frac{116.796}{50} = \underline{2.34}$$

Project B.

	1	2	3	4	5
EBDST	62	32	22	52	52
Depreciation	(10)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(10)
EBT	52	22	12	42	42
Tax @ 30%	(15.6)	(6.6)	(3.6)	(12.6)	12.6
NET	36.4	15.4	8.4	29.4	29.4
Capital cost	10	10	10	10	10
Profitability	46.4	25.4	18.4	39.4	39.4
NPV _{12%}	0.8929	0.7972	0.7118	0.6355	0.5674
Present value	41.43	20.25	13.1	25.04	22.36

$$PF = \frac{\text{Total NPVCF}}{\text{NPVCF}} = \frac{122.18}{50} = 2.444$$

Comment: Inefficiency Project B since it has higher PI than A
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May 2018 Q 4c
Single period Capital Rationing for Indivisible projects

May 2018 Q 4c

Selection

Project Combination	Total Outflow	Surplus funds	Internal NPV	External NPV	Total NPV
A + B	30+45=75	15	20+15=35	6.	41
A + C	30+60=90	0	20+40=60	0	60
A + D	30+40=70	20	20+30=50	8	58
B + D	45+40=85	5	15+30=45	2	47

Working for External NPV

Return on Investment (ROI) (A+B)

$$14.8\% \times 15 = 2.1$$

$$\text{NPVCF} = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{2.1}{0.1} = \frac{21}{1}$$

$$\text{NPVCF} = \frac{(15)}{6}$$

Optimum project combination
 A + C

A + D

$$ROI = 14.8\% \times 20 = 2.8$$

$$\text{NPVCF} = \frac{2.8}{0.1} = \frac{28}{1}$$

$$\text{NPVCF} = \frac{(20)}{8}$$

B + D

$$ROI = 14.8\% \times 5 = 0.7$$

$$\text{NPVCF} = \frac{0.7}{0.1} = \frac{7}{1}$$

$$\text{NPVCF} = \frac{(5)}{2}$$

E. Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

is the rate of return where NPV is zero (0).

Decision Criteria

1. If $IRR > \text{cost of capital}$ --- accept the project
2. If $IRR < \text{cost of Capital}$ --- Reject the project.
3. If $IRR = \text{cost of Capital}$ -- point of indifference

IRR can be computed depending upon the nature of cashflows as follows:

1. Increase of Annuity until infinity

$$IRR = \frac{A}{PUCOF} \times 100\%$$

Illustration 1

Consider a project whose initial investment is sh 250 million. The project is expected to generate annual cash inflows of ksh 45 million per annum to perpetuity.

Required: Determine IRR of the project

Solution

$$IRR = \frac{A}{PUCOF} \times 100\% \Rightarrow \frac{45}{250} \times 100\% = \underline{\underline{18\%}}$$

2. Increase of one year project

$$IRR = \frac{FV}{PUCOF} - 1$$

Illustration 1.

Consider a one year project whose initial investment is sh 12 million. The project is expected to generate sh 15 million at the end of the year. Determine IRR of the project.

Soln

$$IRR = \frac{15}{12} - 1 = 0.25 \approx 25\%$$

3. Increase of single future cashflow in period "n"

$$IRR = \sqrt[n]{\frac{FV}{PUCOF}} - 1$$

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Project N

$$IRR = \sqrt[3]{\frac{17.25}{10}} - 1 = 0.2 \approx \underline{\underline{20\%}}$$

Increase of annuity for specific period of time

$$IAR = \frac{PVCOF}{A}$$

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Project M.

$$IAR = \frac{10}{5} = 2 \rightarrow \text{useful life table (3 year)}$$

$$20 \rightarrow 2.1065$$

$$IAR \rightarrow 2$$

$$24 \rightarrow 1.9813$$

$\Rightarrow IAR - \text{lower limit}$

upper limit - lower limit

$$\frac{IAR - 20}{24 - 20} = \frac{2 - 2.1065}{1.9813 - 2.1065}$$

$$\frac{IAR - 20}{4} = 0.8506$$

$$IAR - 20 = 3.4$$

$$IAR = \underline{23.4\%}$$

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$$(i) IAR = \frac{PVCOF}{A} = \frac{65000,000}{21000,000} = 3.0952 \quad (5)$$

$$18\% - 3.1272$$

$$IAR - 3.0952$$

$$20\% - 2.9906$$

$$\frac{IAR - 18}{20 - 18} = \frac{3.0952 - 3.1272}{2.9906 - 3.1272}$$

$$\frac{IAR - 18}{2} = 0.234$$

$$IAR - 18 = 0.47$$

$$IAR = \underline{18.47\%}$$

$$(ii) PF = \frac{PVCF}{PVCIF}$$

$$PVCF = 21 \times PVIFA_{12\%}^5 \Rightarrow$$

$$21 \times 3.6048 = 75.7 \quad p$$

$$PF = \frac{75.7}{65} = \underline{1.16}$$

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5. Incase of unequal cashflows

In this case IRR is calculated using trial and error method. The following steps are followed.

1. Compute the NPV using cost of capital given.
2. (a) If the NPV obtained in step 1 is positive, Re-discount using a higher discounting rate which will give negative NPV.
 (b) If the NPV obtained in step 1 is negative, Re-discount using a lower discounting rate which will give positive NPV.
3. Compute IRR using the following formulae.

$$IRR = LDR + \left[\frac{NPV_{LDR}}{NPV_{LDR} - NPV_{HDR}} \right] [HDR - LDR]$$

where LDR \rightarrow Lower Discounting Rate
 HDR \rightarrow Higher Discounting Rate

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NPV = ~~230~~ 230
 Rediscount using higher rate

Period	Cashflows	PV at 20%	PV
1	1866	0.8333	1555
2	1614	0.6944	1121
3	1614	0.5787	934
4	1110	0.4823	535
5	1980	0.4019	796
		PVCF	4941
		PVDF	(6000)
		NPV	(1059)

$$IRR = 10 + \left(\frac{230}{230 - 1059} \right) (20 - 10) = 11.8\%$$

Illustration 2

Consider a 3 year project with initial investment of ₹ 100,000. The project is expected to generate the following cashflows:

Year	1	2	3
Cashflows	50000	55000	35000

If the cost of capital is 12%, determine IRR of the project

		solution	
Period	Cashflow	$PVIF_{12\%}^n$	PV
1	500000	0.8929	446665
2	550000	0.7972	438466
3	350000	0.7118	24913
			<u>$PVCF$</u>
			113404
			<u>$PVCF$</u>
			(100000)
			<u>NPV</u>
			13404

Since NPV is +ve, rediscount using higher rate

Period	Cashflows.	$PVIF_{20\%}^n$	PV
1	500000	0.8333	416665
2	550000	0.6944	38192
3	350000	0.5087	17805
			<u>$PVCF$</u>
			97662
			<u>$PVCF$</u>
			(100000)
			<u>NPV</u>
			(2338)

$$IRR = 12 + \left[\frac{13404}{13404 - 2338} \right] (20 - 12) = \underline{\underline{18.81\%}}$$

Addv of IRR
Discd of IRR \Rightarrow same as NPV .

Differences between IRR & ARR

IRR

- 1 It's a discounting technique
- 2 It uses cashflows to evaluate project
- 3 It uses all cashflows of the project in evaluation
- 4 It gives a decision on whether to accept or reject single project

ARR

- 1 Non-discounting technique
- 2 It uses accounting profit (PAT)
- 3 It uses the average accounting profit to evaluate
- 4 It does not give a decision on whether to accept or reject single project

Causes of Conflict between NPV & IRR

The conflict between NPV and IRR may arise due to two following circumstances:

- 1 Increase of difference in sizes of mutually exclusive projects
- 2 Increase of difference in economic lives of mutually exclusive projects
- 3 Increase of cashflows timing of mutually exclusive projects
- 4 Increase of non-conventional cashflows i.e. cashflows which are +ve at one point and -ve at another point.

NB: In case of conflict b/w NPV and IRR , NPV always prevails