## Financial Management



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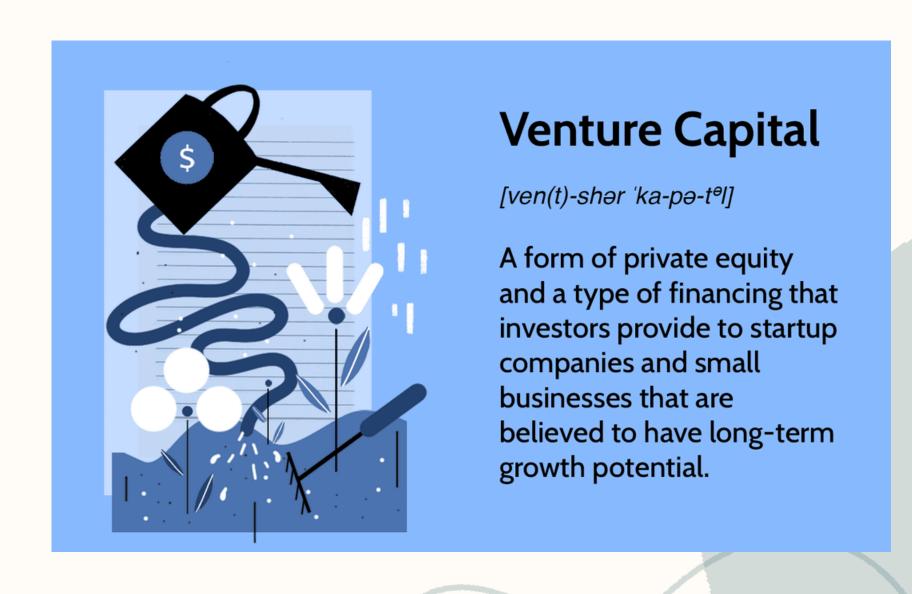
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Start-up Capital: Securing Funding There are three primary ways to secure funding for a fashion startup:

- Venture Capital (VC)
- Crowdfunding
- Private Investors (Angel Investors)

#### 1. Venture Capital (VC):

Venture capitalists invest in exchange for equity. VCs typically target scalable, high-growth businesses. To attract VC, you need a compelling business plan, innovative product, and clear financial projections.



#### 2. Crowdfunding:

Platforms like Kickstarter and Indiegogo allow you to raise funds from the public. Successful crowdfunding campaigns rely on strong marketing, community-building, and offering appealing rewards or products.



#### 3. Private Investors (Angel Investors):

These individuals provide capital in exchange for equity or convertible debt. They typically invest smaller amounts compared to VCs and may offer mentorship in addition to funding.



# Financial Planning: Budgeting

#### Creating a budget is essential for maintaining financial health:

- Marketing Budget: Allocate funds for digital advertising, influencer collaborations, social media campaigns, and events.
- Product Development Budget: Consider the costs of materials, design, prototyping, and manufacturing.
- Operational Expenses: Include salaries, rent, utilities, software tools, and any fixed or variable expenses required to run the business.

Regularly monitor and adjust your budget to ensure resources are allocated effectively.

#### 1.Marketing Budget

- Digital Advertising: Allocate funds for ads on platforms like Google, Facebook, Instagram, or LinkedIn to reach your target audience.
- Influencer Collaborations: Set aside money for partnerships with influencers or content creators to promote your product.
- Social Media Campaigns: Budget for content creation, design, and sponsored posts to increase visibility and engagement.
- Events: Include expenses for trade shows, webinars, conferences, or product launch events that promote your brand.

#### Example for budget planning

Budget category	Description	Monthly Cost	Annual Cost	Notes
Marketing Budget	Allocate funds for digital advertising, influencer collaborations, social media campaigns, and events			
- Digital Advertising	Ads on Google, Facebook, Instagram, etc.	1,29,718.50 Indian rupees	15,56,622.00 Indian rupees	Includes paid ads for brand awareness
- Influencer Collaborations	Partnering with influencers for promotions	86,479.00 Indian rupees	10,37,748.00 Indian rupees	Influencer fees, products for giveaways
- Social Media Campaigns	Content creation and sponsored posts	43,239.50 Indian rupees	5,18,874.00 Indian rupees	Social media management tools and posts
- Events	Trade shows, webinars, or launch events	1,72,958.00 Indian rupees	20,75,496.00 Indian rupees	Includes event organization and travel

#### 2.Product Development Budget

- Materials: Consider the cost of raw materials or components needed to create your product.
- Design: Include costs for product design, graphic design, packaging, or any branding elements.
- Prototyping: Set aside funds for initial prototypes, testing, and iteration to refine the product before mass production.
- Manufacturing: Allocate for the production process, including labor costs, equipment, and any third-party manufacturing fees.

#### Example for budget planning

Budget category	Description	Monthly Cost	Annual Cost	Notes
Product Development Budget	Costs for materials, design, prototyping, and manufacturing			
- Materials	Raw materials or components needed for product creation	2,59,437.00 Indian rupees	31,13,244.00 Indian rupees	Supplies for manufacturing
- Design	Product design, packaging design, branding	86,479.00 Indian rupees	10,37,748.00 Indian rupees	Design tools, services, and consultations
- Prototyping	Development and testing of product prototypes	1,72,958.00 Indian rupees	20,75,496.00 Indian rupees	Costs of initial prototypes
- Manufacturing	Production costs, labor, and third-party manufacturing services	4,32,395.00 Indian rupees	51,88,740.00 Indian rupees	Fees for production and assembly

#### 3. Operational Expenses

- Salaries: Account for employee compensation, including benefits and taxes.
- Rent: Include the cost of office space, warehouses, or any other physical locations you lease.
- Utilities: Budget for electricity, water, internet, and other necessary utilities.
- Software Tools: Factor in expenses for necessary software subscriptions (CRM systems, accounting tools, project management tools, etc.).
- Other Fixed/Variable Expenses: Include other routine costs like insurance, supplies, and maintenance.

### Example for budget planning

Budget category	Description	Monthly Cost	Annual Cost	Notes
Operational Expenses	Salaries, rent, utilities, software tools, etc.			
- Salaries	Employee wages, bonuses, benefits, and taxes	8,64,790.00 Indian rupees	1,03,77,480.00 Indian rupees	Includes salaries for 5 employees
- Rent	Office space, warehouse lease, etc.	3,02,676.50 Indian rupees	36,32,118.00 Indian rupees	Office and warehouse rent
- Utilities	Electricity, water, internet, and phone bills	43,239.50 Indian rupees	5,18,874.00 Indian rupees	Essential utilities for operations
- Software Tools	Subscriptions for CRM, project management, and accounting tools	25,943.70 Indian rupees	3,11,324.40 Indian rupees	Software needed to run daily operations

## 3 Profit Margin Calculation

Understanding profit margins is critical to ensuring your business is profitable:

**Gross Profit Margin** 

**Net Profit Margin** 

**Break-even Point** 

#### Gross Profit Margin

Gross Profit Margin = Revenue - COGSRevenue \* 100Gross Profit

Margin=Revenue-COGS\*100

This tells you the percentage of sales revenue remaining after subtracting the cost of goods sold (COGS).

#### Net Profit Margin

Net Profit Margin=Net IncomeRevenue\*100Net Profit

Margin=RevenueNet Income×100

This shows how much profit remains after all expenses, taxes, and interest.

#### Break-even Point

Costs per UnitBreak-even Point=Price per Unit-Variable Costs per UnitFixed Costs

Break-even Point =Fixed CostsPrice per Unit -Variable

This is the number of units you need to sell to cover all fixed and variable costs.

## 4 Cash Flow Management

Effective cash flow management ensures you can pay bills, make investments, and grow:

Track Cash Flow:

Regularly monitor income and expenses. Use tools like QuickBooks or Xero to maintain visibility over your cash flow.

Inventory Control:
 Avoid overstocking
 or understocking by analyzing demand and maintaining optimal inventory levels.

• Payment Terms:

Negotiate favorable terms with suppliers, and ensure your customers pay invoices promptly to maintain liquidity.

• Cash Reserve:

Build a financial cushion to cover unexpected costs or slow sales periods.

## Thank you!