Assembler Directives (Pseudo opcodes)

→ We need them to write program.
→ These are not instruction but these are used to make structure program.
→ Used to convert and Assembly language program into machine language code modules.

→ It is a statement to give direction to the assembler to perform task of the assembly process.

① DB: Define Byte (8 bits value)
→ It is used to reserve byte or byte of memory location in the available memory.

example: ① RANKS DB 01H, 02H, 03H, 04H.
→ Reserve four memory locations.

② MESSAGE DB 'GOOD MORNING'
→ Reserve no. of bytes of memory location as same as no. of characters present in string.

② DW: Define Word (16 bits value)
→ It makes the assembler reserve the number of memory words instead of bytes.

example: WORDS DW 1234H, 567FH, 78ABH, D45CH
→ reserve four words space. In this,
LB → lower memory add.
UB → higher memory add.

③ DQ : Define Quadword (64 bits value).

→ It is used to direct the assembler to reserve 4 words of memory.

④ DT: Define Ten Bytes (10 bytes value).

→ Directs the assembler to define the specified variable req 10- bytes.

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* EQU: Equate to

→ Used to assign constant value to a symbol.

→ Macro-assembler replaces every occurance of symbol by its value.

Syntax : Symbol-name EQU value.

example: NUMBER EQU 100

→ In the program, whenever there is number it automatically take the value as 100.

* ORG : Originate

→ It assigns the location counter with the value defined in the directive.

Syntax : ORG $+ Numerical-Value.

Example:

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ORG   1000H
ORG   $
ORG   $+200
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Program organization Directives

* ASSUME :

→ Conveys logical name of segment to assembler
→ Segment register points to the logical segment

eg ~~ASSUME~~ Assume CS: code, DS: Data.

* SEGMENT

→ Indicates the beginning of logical segment.
→ SEGMENT follows the name of the segment.

example Data SEGMENT
{Data declaration}.
Data ENDS

* ENDS : End of the segment.
* END : End of program.