

PREFACE TO THE NINTH EDITION

I am greatly pleased to place the ninth edition of the book "Taxmann's Strategic Financial Management" in the hands of its esteemed readers. It is gratifying that over past six years thousands of the students have learnt the subject through eighth editions of the book.

This edition continues to provide thoroughly updated comprehensive course material on the subject in a 'Self-Study Format' to the students preparing for Final Level Professional examinations. Based on the vast classroom teaching experience of the author, the book explains the concepts in a simple way and aims at strengthening the skills through numerous practical problems. It provides a complete treatment of the various aspects of Strategic Financial Management through the classroom tested material.

Taxmann, the publishers, have also come out with DVDs containing the video recordings of my 44 lectures on the subject. The contents of these lectures have been drawn from this book. The students can attend the lectures at their own pace and space at the time convenient to them.

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Extra practice questions, with solutions, are available at jbguptaclasses.com

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Suggestions and comments for improvement are always welcome.

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