

SYMBIOSIS COLLEGE OF ARTS & COMMERCE

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Course Title	Strategic Cost Management – Paper - 7
Paper Number (In case of Specialization)	Special Paper - 7

Learning Objectives:

- 1. To understand the fundamentals of Strategic Cost Management.
- **2.** To study the application of various techniques of Strategic Cost Management in the modern business environment.

Learning Outcomes:

- 1. Students would be equipped with knowledge of recent Cost Management Practices of leading business firm.
- 2. Understanding of use of modern Strategic Cost Management Techniques would fuel analytical and decision-making skills of students in this current competitive environment.

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Gist of this Course:

Detailed Syllabus			
Unit	Contents of the Course	No. of Lectures	
	Introduction to Strategic Management		
	2.1 Environmental Scanning – PESTEL (ETOP) Analysis.		
1	2.2 Strategy: Meaning, Types and Techniques of Strategy	10	
	Formulation.		
	2.3 Strategic Management: Meaning, Characteristics and Process.		
	Strategic Cost Management (SCM)		
2	2.1 Limitations of Traditional Cost Management.	06	
	2.2 SCM: Meaning, Definition and Features.		
	Techniques of Strategic Costing		
	3.1 Activity Based Costing (ABC)		
	 Lacunas in Traditional Costing Systems 		
	 Introduction, Meaning and Definition ABC 		
	Objectives of ABC		
	 Cost Pools and Cost Drivers 		
	• Steps in ABC		
3	 Illustrations and Case Studies. 	34	
3	• ABC Vs. ABM	34	
	3.2 Target Costing		
	Origin		
	Meaning and Definition		
	Steps in Target Costing		
	 Integration of Target Costing and ABC 		
	 Illustrations and Case Studies. 		
	3.3 Life Cycle Costing		

Meaning
Features
 Stages included in PLCC
Costs covered in PLCC
 Illustrations and Case Studies.
3.4 Balanced Scorecard
Meaning
Four perspectives of a Balanced Scorecard
 Key Performance Indicators (KPI)
 Advantages and Disadvantages of BS
Case Studies.
3.5 Kaizen Costing
 Meaning and Definition – Kaizen and Kaize
 Principles
Operating Procedure
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Kaizen and Kaizen Costing

- Reasons for Failure
- Case Studies

3.6 Cost Benchmarking

- Historical Background.
- Meaning and Definition.
- Types of Benchmarking.
- Process of Benchmarking.
- Benchmarking and Other Cost Management Techniques.
- Case Studies.

Total Number of Lectures	54
Internship for Students if any:	No
Projects/Field Work as part of Continuous Assessment (Research Paper)	Yes
and Short Research Projects in Costing, Accounting and Finance:	1 65
Online E-Component: Research Methodology - 2	
 Analysis and Interpretation of Data with Excel/SPSS 	
Statistical Tools for Hypotheses Testing	15
Findings and Conclusions	15
Plagiarism Test	
Making Research Ready for Publications	

Suggested Web Sources:

- 1. Management and Cost Accounting by Colin Drury.
- 2. Advanced Management Accounting by Robert S. Kaplan, Anthony A. Atkinson.
- 3. Strategic Management by Azhar Kazmi.
- **4.** Business Environment by Francis Cherunilam.
- **5.** Competitive Advantage by Michael Porter.
- 6. Strategic Cost Management Decision-making, Final Paper 15, ICMAI Study Notes.
- 7. Business Strategy and Strategic Cost Management, Final Paper 15, ICMAI Study Notes.