Financial Institutions Management: A Risk Management Approach

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Approach #1. Traditional View: Financial management is primarily concerned with acquisition, financing and management of assets of business concern in order to maximize the wealth of the firm for its owners. The basic responsibility of the Finance manager is to acquire funds needed by the firm and investing those funds in profitable ventures that will maximize firm’s wealth, as well as, yielding returns to the business concern. The success or failure of any firm is mainly linked with the quality of financial decisions. (a) Arrangement of short term and long-term funds from financial institutions.

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