Chapter 2

SOURCES OF RISK AND EXPOSURE

Meaning of risk exposure

- It is the quantified potential for loss that might occur as a result of some activity
- The analysis of the risk exposure for a business often ranks the risks according to their probability of occurring multiplied by the potential loss

Types of risks exposure

- Personal loss exposure unemployment, disability, sickness, death
- Property loss exposures caused by fire, other natural calamities
- Liability loss exposures paying for injury, any loss
- Catastrophic loss exposures one event, many kinds of loss
- Accidental loss exposures intentional or non intentional

Sources of risks and exposure

- The proposal form
- Medical examiners report
- Agents report
- The inspection report
- Private friends report
- Attending physicians
- Medical information bureau
- Neighbours and business associates
- Commercial credit investigation bureau

Pure risks

- Personal risks
- Property risks
- Liability risks

Personal risks

- Risk of premature death
- Risk of old age
- Risk of sickness or poor health
- Risk of unemployment

Property risks

- Direct loss
- Indirect loss
- Extra expenses

Liability risks

 There is no maximum limit, under liability risks, your future income and assets may be attached to settle the loss

Speculative risks

 It is a situation that holds out the prospects of gain or loss, it includes shares, debentures, and other securities

Difference between pure risks and speculative risks

Pure risk

- There is a possibility of loss
- Can be or cannot be insured

It is not voluntarily accepted

Speculative risk

- Possibility of both profits or loss
- Cannot be predicted
- It is easily accepted

Static Risks

- Static Risks Are Risks That Involve Losses Brought About By Irregular Action Of Nature Or By Dishonest Misdeeds And Mistakes Of Man
- It Includes Destruction Of Assets Or Change In Their Possession As A Result Of Dishonesty
- Eg: Theft, Bad Weather

Dynamic risks

 It is caused by change in economy, changes in price levels, income, tastes of customers, technology, they are beneficial to the society

Difference Between Static Risks And Dynamic Risks

Static risks

- They are pure risks
- They are predictable
- The society derives no benefit or gain, and are harmful
- It is present in an unchanging economy
- It affects only individuals or a very few individuals

Dynamic risks

- They are mainly speculative risks
- They are not easily predictable
- The society derives some benefits from dynamic risks
- It is present only in changing economy
- It effects large number of individuals

Various Elements Of Cost Of Risks

- It is a quantifiable, controllable number that can be identified and reduced
- It is the total cost of insurance premium and other internal risks control costs
- There is a need to recognise these costs , plan and implement management strategies to reduce these costs

Enterprise risks management

- Meaning:
- ERM In business includes the methods and processes used by organisations to manage risks and acquire opportunities related to the achievement of their objectives
- It provides a framework for risk management, it includes identifying particular events relating to organisational objective, and its impact

ERM framework

- It helps in describing, identifying, analysing, responding and monitoring risks ad opportunities within the internal and external environment
- It includes
- Avoidance
- Reduction: Taking action to reduce the risks
- Share or insure
- accept

ERM in CAS (casualty society framework)

- Hazard risks: liability torts, property damage
- Financial risks: pricing risks, assets risks, currency risks, liquidity risks
- Operational risks: customer satisfaction, product failure, integrity
- Strategic risks: competition, social trend, capital availability

Components of CAS

- Internal environment
- Objective setting
- Event identification
- Risk assessment
- Risk response
- Control activities
- Information and communication
- Monitoring

Elements of risk exposure Based on insurability

- Large number of similar risk exposure
- Definite loss
- Accidental loss
- Large loss
- Affordable premium
- Calculable loss
- Limited risk of catastrophically large losses

Current Issues In Enterprise Risk Management

- The risk management process of Indian corporations are under increasing regulatory and private scrutiny
- Many business organisations struggle with business pressures such as distressed financial markets, mergers, acquisitions, restructuring etc

