

# **Interest Rate Derivatives: A Beginner's Module**

## Interest Rates and Time Value Of Money

Introduction; Factors affecting the level of interest rate; Impact and classification of interest rate and Present value, Future value and Discount factor.

## Money and Fixed Income Markets

Money markets and fixed income markets.

#### > Government Bonds

Introduction to and Characteristics of Bonds; Concept of yield; Relationship between bond price and interest rate; Repo and cost of funding and other bond terminology.

#### Interest Rate Derivatives

OTC Derivatives; Exchange traded contracts and key terminology of futures market.

## > Interest Rate Futures (IRF) in India

Interest rate futures; Rationale; Contract specifications; Settlement and Risk Management.

# An Explanation of Key Concepts in IRF

Why a notional bond is being used as underlying; Conversion factor; Invoice price; Cheapest to deliver bond; Bond basis.

### Applications and Trading of Interest Rate Futures

Participants in the IRF market; hedging applications of interest rate derivatives; Speculation and Arbitrage strategy.