

CHAPTER – I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

Nepal is located in between the latitude 26 22' to 30 27' North and in between the longitude 80 4' E to 88 12' East, and elevation ranges from 90 to 8848 meters. The average length is 885 Km east to west and the average breadth is 193 Km from north to south. The country is bordering between the two most populous countries in the world, India in the East, South, and West, and China in the North. Nepal is a land locked country and home place of natural beauty with rich natural resources. Geographically, the country is divided in three regions; Mountain, Hill and Terai accommodating 7.44 and 49% of the population respectively. Its hydro potentiality, tourist destinations and indigenous cultural wealth are incomparable assets as strengths for the potential economic growth. Nevertheless, agricultural sector still occupies about 40 percent fraction of the total GDP of the country.

Nepal is the member of the United Nations and has established diplomatic relation with 113 countries of the world until June 2001. Major export commodities are paste, pulses, oil cake, catechu, jute good Sacking, Twins, carpets, readymade garments, handicrafts, ginger. Economic growth of the country has not improved remarkable over time to overtake population growth. As the country estimated population growth is 2.3 per annum, growing population has concealed the gain achieved by developmental activities.

Nepal stepped on the planned development system in 2013 BS and in these last five decades tenure it experienced the fruitless taste of 10 plans passed away. But

may be due to any reasons, it could not get the satisfactory outcomes that can be really felt.

Now, from the year 2064/065 three years interim plan has been in operation. This plan segment has targeted to achieve the economic growth rate of 5.5 percent (Agriculture sector by 3.6% and non-agricultural sector by 6.5%).

Since, total growth rate at the end of 10th plan remained just 2.5 percent; the expected 5.5 percent rate in coming three years seems ambitions. Industrialization plays a vital role for growth and development of a country. We can trace out industrial development process in Nepal mainly after the establishment of Biratnagar jute mill and Udyog Parishad in 1936 BS. Now the manufacturing sector contributes about 10 percent of the gross domestic product. This sector provides about 2 percent employment out of total labor of the country.

People hesitate to invest due to the lack of appropriate knowledge and because of lack of insufficient capital for investment. Country should make efforts to encourage people for investment and should create new investment opportunities. For a successful invest one should know his/her own financial condition. Return is the fundamental requirement of investment and a certain level of risk is attached with it. Finance mostly deals with the monetary risk and return which is the most influencing subject matter for an individual and to small large corporation as well.

Securities market plays an important role in the development of an economy. As economies develop, retained earnings of firms give away to bank-intermediated debt finance and then to emergence of securities markets as an additional source of external finance. Development of securities market hence is necessary for the growth of corporate market makes investment less risky and more attractive.

A liquid security market helps investors to diversify and alters their portfolios to suit their preference of risk and return. Now stock market has become a global phenomenon. Day by day, the stock market is becoming one of the important parts of the national economy. However, people do not have idea of how to invest and where to invest, due to the lack of proper investment opportunities.

There is only one stock exchange in the country and it is located in the capital, and there is no other alternative available. In the present trading system (Centralized open outcry trading system), all brokers should gather in the trading floor of the NEPSE to effect the deal. In Nepalese context, the institutional set up of securities market began along with the "Securities Exchange Center" (now Nepal Stock Exchange) in 1977". One serious weakness facing Nepal's stock market is the low participation of investors in securities transaction.

The stock market in Nepal is highly dominated by commercial banks in terms of market capitalization and annual turnover. Shares of manufacturing companies are taken as worthless instruments.

Industry is the backbone of economic development of nation. In Nepal Industries have not been developed to the expected extent in Nepal. So, overcome weak economy of Nepal, it is quite essential to develop manufacturing and processing companies.

Establishing a new enterprise is a risky task because risk comes associated with the investment, so analysis of return is requires. Our main objective behind this research is to provide conceptual knowledge of risk of return, which will obviously help to assess profitable investment. Risk is related to future and is

uncertain. Nevertheless, risk is measurable and manageable, so it is different from uncertainty. Risk is the changes of losing investment value.

Return can be defined as income received from investment. People invest their belongings with an expectation of getting some reward for leaving its liquidity. Return is expressed as dividend plus any change in market price of the share and usually expressed in percent. However, expected return may differ substantially from the actual return on investment in common stock. People show their willingness to invest in those opportunities where they can get higher return.

Capital Assets Pricing Model (CAPM) is an economic model for valuing stock securities derivative and assets by relating risk and expected return. It is based on the idea that investors demand additional expected return (called the risk premium) if they are asked to accept additional risk. This model says that this expected return that these investors would demand is equal to the rate on risk-free security plus a risk premium. If the expected return does not meet the required return, the investors will refuse to invest and the investment should not be undertaken.

As we know that investor always seeks higher return for undertaking a higher risk that is expressed as risk premium. Therefore, attention should be focused on those securities, which have lower risk and higher return. Although, return can be increased substantially, risk can be reduced by diversification of funds in different stocks making a portfolio. Well diversification can eliminate unsystematic risk, which change in return on the market as a whole cannot be avoided by the diversification. Portfolio performs in terms of not only the earned, but also the risk experienced by the investor. That's why appropriate measure of risk, return and portfolio as well as relevant standards is needed.

1.1.1 Difference between Manufacturing and Service Organization

Each organization produces some kind of goods and services. Some organization produces physical and tangible products where as the other produce intangible products. Organization manufacturing tangible products are called manufacturing organizations and intangible product are known as service organizations. Industrial enterprise act. 2049, sections (3) sub-section (a) has described a manufacturing industry as "Manufacturing goods, Products by using of processing raw materials, semi-processed materials or waste materials or other materials."

Different between the Manufacturing and Service operations can be shown as follows:

Basis	Manufacturing Operations	Service operations
Nature of output	It yields tangible output from conversion process.	Service operations produce intangible outputs.
Consumption of output	Output of the manufacturing operations can be consumed over	Service output is consumed immediately.
Output	Time	Consumed immediately
Degree of contact	Frequent customer contact is not required in manufacturing operation.	Without customers contact, no service can be generated.
Customers participation	Once order is received, there is no need of customer's participation in conversion process.	In service operations, service generation is impossible without participating customers in the process.
Market	They produce goods for local, regional and international people.	They generally provide services for local people.
Process	Complex and interrelated processes are followed in manufacturing operations.	Simple service process is applied in service operations.

1.2 Statement of the Problems

This study obviously shows how the Nepalese finance sector is lagged behind due to the lack of information and poor knowledge of investment. Even though individual investor is manipulated and exploited by the financial institution. Investors are responsible to me rational investment decision rather than switching blame to others. Their attitude and perception plays a greater role in investment decision which is influenced by the knowledge and access to the data required for analysis.

But not only general public but also the university graduates and post graduates are unable to analyze risk, return and portfolio while make stock investment decision. When required rate of return and expected rate of return are not equal, then intrinsic value and market value of stock will not be equal. It is also assumed that all stock remain in Security Market Line (SML), and if the case is not so, they strive towards this line. But theoretical and practical knowledge may not always match with each other.

People assume more risk in stock investment that is real risk. So, it is necessary to build their confident analysis in this field. The unavailability of clear and simple technique is also assumed as a constraint to analyze risk and return of individual stock and portfolio.

1.3 Objectives of the Study

1. To find out the relationships between stock return and risk.
2. To find out the factors affecting return on investment on stock in Nepal Lever / Unilever Limited, Jyoti Spinning Mills, Bottlers Nepal Limited and Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited.
3. To suggest and recommend on the basis of major findings.

1.4 Significance of the Study

This study will not only be limited as the partial fulfillment of MBS course of TU, but it is hoped to contribute to Nepalese stock Market's development. The study will be more significant for exploring and increasing stock investment. It will also help to provide clear vision to visualize manufacturing and processing companies so that investors may strike their targets and the study will also open many doors to future research in the area of investment management for business.

1.5 Limitations of the Study

Many research works have their own limitation. This study is also not an exception to this fact. So, the study cannot cover all the subject matter.

1. The study is based on secondary data sources.
2. Only five years recent historical observations are analyzed of four samples.
3. Analysis is mostly based on the tools developed in context of efficient market condition.
4. There may be innumerable factors showing some relationship with return but here, four selected variables are taken into account.

1.6 Organization of the Study

The study has five chapters in total and they include the following sub chapters as mentioned in each chapter as follows.

FIRST CHAPTER is Introduction and it includes Background of the study, Objectives of the study, Statement of problem, Significance of the study, Limitations of study and its Organization.

SECOND CHAPTER, Review of Literature deals with the issue related to the studies, which are already published from of books, articles, journals, reports and other relevant materials.

THIRD CHAPTER Research Methodology covers on Research Design, Research Question and Sample, Time Period, Sources and Nature of Data Collection and Analytical Tools.

FOURTH CHAPTER Data presentation and Analysis is the Analysis of Individual Company, Inter-firm Comparison, Comparison with Market, Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM), Price Evaluation and Regression Analysis and Major Findings.

FIFTH CHAPTER Summary, conclusion and Recommendation in this chapter summary, conclusion, recommendation are included based on the research findings.

CHAPTER – II

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

2.1 Introduction

This chapter primarily is concerned with a comprehensive review of recent and relevant literature related to the topic. Theoretical aspect of return is explored on the ground of the research. It is the background of work. It reviews some basic academic courses, books, journals and other related studies. Our stock market being in an emerging state, is unable to provide adequate information concerning to the study. So, most of the materials, which reviewed here are published in foreign countries. Some of the Master's Degree thesis available at Tribhuvan University, which is related to the topic, has also been reviewed to the account while making literature review.

2.1.1 Conceptual Framework

(a) Common Stock:- Common stockholders of a company are its ultimate owners. Collectively they own the company and it is known as risky security. (Regmi, "Analysis of Stock Return", T.U:3)

Common stock is the most risky security because the common stock neither ensures an annual return nor ensures for the return of price of stock. Therefore the investment in the common stock is very sensitive on the ground of risk. Even though the context of Nepal. In Nepal, common stock has been a most preferred and popular investments for the corporate firms.

(b) Return:- Return is the reward from an investment. This reward is the motive towards investment. It is calculated as a single period, multi period and expected rate of return. (Thapa, 2063:4.2)

(c) Risk: - Risk is related to future and future is uncertain. But risk is measurable and manageable. So, it is different from uncertainty. Risk is the chances of losing investment value. It is a chance of happening some unfavorable event or danger of losing some material value.

(d) Investment: - An investment is a commitment of funds made in the expectation of some positive rate of return. If the investment is properly undertaken, the return will be commensurate with the risk the investor assumes. Or Investment may be define as the purchase by an individual or institutional investor of a financial or real asset that produces a return proportional to the risk assumed over some future investment period.

(e) Finance: - Finance can be defined as art and science of managing money. Virtually all individuals and organization earn or raise money and spend or invest money. Financial is concerned with the process institutions markets and instruments involved in the transfer of money among and between individuals business and governments.

(g) Financing Decision: - Financing decision is one of the most important decisions taken by the corporate firm because the financing mix greatly influences the value of the firm. However earnings of a firm are also determined by the investment decisions financing decisions also play a crucial role in success of a business.

(f) CAPM: - CAPM is a model that describes the relationship between risk and expected (required) return. In this model, a security expected (required) return is the risk-free rate plus a premium based on the systematic risk of the security. The model is : $K_j = R_f + (R_m - R_f) \beta_j$ (Van Horn,2000:101)

(h) Portfolio:- The objective of portfolio analysis is to develop portfolio that has the maximum return at whatever level or risk the investor deems appropriate. The portfolio manager seeking efficient investments works with two kinds of statistics, expected return statistics and risk statistics. The expected return and risk statistics for individual assets are the exogenously determined input data analyzed by the portfolio analysis. (Jack Clark, 2001:228)

A portfolio simply represents the practice among the investors of having their funds in more than one asset. The combination of investment assets is called a portfolio. (Weston and Brigham.2000: 245)

(i) Market Capitalization: - Market capitalization is the market value of all the shares issued by the companies in the market. It is a tool which measures how much is the market value of the shares of the company. If the market value per share of the company is higher, the company is considered as a better company, otherwise not.

2.1.2 Relation between Manufacturing Companies and Securities Market

All companies are required to raise funds through different sources of the purpose of acquiring their assets. If the funds are collected through loan, another option for them is to raise the fund through the issuance of shares. And it is possible only with the help of securities market. Hence, securities board has provided the facilities for the companies to raise the required funds through the issuance of

shares in the primary market. Once, the shares are issued in the primary market. They are needed to be traded in the stock exchange for providing the liquidity for the shareholders. But, Nepalese manufacturing companies share are traded in very low quantity in NEPSE which finally shows that the performance of manufacturing companies is NEPSE can be identified by analyzing the market capitalization of manufacturing companies, Paid up value of manufacturing companies, NEPSE index of manufacturing companies etc. some of the factor showing the performance of manufacturing companies are low in comparison to other and total listed companies in NEPSE.

2.2 Review from Books

Books provide the conceptual knowledge of its related field. Our central focus of the review is the trade off return and its implication in the field of investment. Different scholars have defined risk and return differently. Here, some well-known writer's definitions and worldwide-accepted books are into considerations.

The return from holding an investment over some period say, a year is simply any cash payments received due to ownership plus the change in market price, derived by the beginning price. Thus, an investor can obtain two kinds of income from an investment in a share of stock.

1. Income from price appreciation (or losses from price depreciation), sometimes called capital gains (or losses). This quantity is denoted $p_t - p_{t-1}$
2. Cash flow income from cash dividend or coupon interest payments, represented by the convention C_t .
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The sum of these two sources of income (or loss) equals the change in the invested wealth during any given holding period. The rate of return formula can be restated in a form appropriate for almost any investment.

The explanation of return on common stock investment is based on the historical dividend and price data or its expected future data. The return can also be defined on the basis of probability distribution alternative outcome.

Return is defined as the dividend yield plus the capital gain or loss. The relationship between different levels of return on their relative frequencies is called a probability distribution. We could formulate a probability distribution for the relative frequency of a firm's annual return by analyzing its historical return over the previous year. But we know that history never repeats itself exactly. Hence, analyzing relative frequencies of historical return for the individual company, we can form a probability distribution based on historical data plus the analysis for the outlook for the economy and the outlook for the industry, the outlook for the firms in its industry and another factors. (Jack Clark, 2001:90)

The study focuses the common stock investment. Benjamin Graham has described the nature of common stock very aptly. Common stock has one important characteristic and one important speculative characteristic. Their investment value and average market price tend to increase irregularly but persistently over the decades as their net worth builds up through the reinvestment of undistributed earnings. However, most of the time common stocks are subject to irrational excessive price fluctuations in both directions, as the consequence of the ingrained tendency of most people to speculate or gamble, i.e. to give way to hope, fear and greed.

Common stocks are also termed as risky securities. But why is it called risky security? What is risk and how is it measured "Risk defined most generally is the probability of the occurrence of unfavorable outcomes. But risk has different meanings in different context. In our context, two measures developed from the

probability distribution have been as initial measures of return and risk. There are the mean and the standard deviation of the probability distribution. (Westorn, 1999: 93)

Standard deviation is a measurable that does this since it is an estimate of the likely divergence of actual return from an expected return. (Sharpe, 1998: 177)

Investment decision is based on expectations about the future. The expected rate of return for only asset is the weighted average rate of return, using the probability of each rate of return as the weight. The expected rate of return is calculated by summing the products of the rates of return and their respective probabilities.

Another parameter of return distribution is a measure of dispersion of variability around expected return. The conventional measure of dispersion is the standard deviation. The greater standard deviation of returns is greater the risk of the investment. The variance of an asset's rates of return equals the sum of the products of the squared deviations of each possible rate of return occurs.

The square root of the variance of the rates of return is called the standard deviation of the rates of return.

The standard deviation and the variance are equally acceptable and conceptually equivalent quantitative measures of an asset's total risk. (Ibid. p.13)

But, the standard deviation can sometimes be misleading in comparing the risk on uncertainty, surrounding alternative of they differ in size. To adjust the size, or scale, problem, the standard deviation can be divided by the expected return to compute the coefficient of variation (CV). Thus, the coefficient of variation is a

measure of relative dispersion (risk) – a measure of risk per unit of expected return. The larger the CV the larger the relative risk of the investment. (Van Horn and Wachowicz, 2000:94)

Investors rarely place their entire wealth into a single asset or investment. Rather, they construct a portfolio or group of investment. Portfolio is simply a combination of two or more securities or assets. (Van Horn, 2000: 95) Combined two or more than two securities help to reduce risk without sacrificing expected return.

The expected return on a portfolio is simply a weighted average of the expected returns of the securities comprising that portfolio. The weights are equal to the proportion of total funds invested in each security (The weight must sum to 100 percent). (Ibid. p.96)

The expected return on a portfolio is simply a weighted average of the expected returns on the individual stocks in the portfolio. However, unlike returns, the riskiness of a portfolio, σ_p , is generally not a weighted average of the standard deviations of the individual securities in the portfolio; the portfolio risk will be smaller than the weighted average of the stocks' risks. (Jack Clark, 2001:235)

2.3 Review from Related Studies

2.3.1 Review from Journals

The underlying fact of finance sector is to show overall financial picture of this related field. Our main aim is to explore the return on common stock and CAPM analysis so as to obtain conclusion of these facts. On the above ground, the journals published in different countries in the context of topic are crucial for the study

purpose. But journals are hardly found in Nepal. So, most of the journals published abroad, which is related to the topic, are reviewed here.

The journal of finance, published bimonthly by American finance Association for many decades is taken in to account. An article published in its volume of August 1999 in title Expected Return, Realized Return and Asset Pricing Tests (Elton, 1999: 1199-1218)

Elton has attempted to distinguish expected return from the realized rate of return. Almost all of the researchers have been using realized return as a proxy for expected returns. The use of average realized returns as a proxy for expected returns relies on a belief that information surprise tend to cancel out over the period of a study and realized returns are, therefore an unbiased estimate of expected returns.

However, Elton believes that there are ample evidences that this belief is misplaced. He elaborates, It seems to me that the more logical explanation for those anomalous results is that realized returns are a very poor measure of expected returns and that information surprised highly influence a number of factors in our asset pricing model. (Ibid. p. 1199-1218)

On this ground, he describes the set used in the empirical analysis: the GovPx bond price data and the MMS forecast survey data. In order to obtain estimates of expected return, we first need to construct a realized return series on zero coupon bonds of different maturities. To show the relationship between realized return and expected rate of return, he has used price data, survey and announcement data, regression model using different maturity periods. Furthermore, asset pricing in

the common stock area has universally involved realized returns as a proxy expected returns.

Testing generally takes one of the three forms. First is the time series testing where sensitivities and risk premiums are simultaneously estimated, and the principal tests involve examining the change in explanatory power of the regression constrained to conform to the pricing model relative to the unconstrained regression. Second is the two – pass procedure where sensitivities are first estimated and then risk premiums are estimated and the principal test involves the reasonableness of the estimates of the premiums. Both of these case can be done conditionally where sensitivities or premiums of both are allowed to be time varying.

The third procedure is the test of the efficiency of the market portfolio. The problem with using realized returns as a proxy for expected returns is prevalent in all three tests. The nature of this problem is easiest to understand with the third test. The test for the efficiency of the market portfolio involves the distance between the market portfolio and the efficient frontier.

After scrutinizing all those facts, he finally concluded the anyone using realized returns as expected returns in the long run should get what one expects. Even this weak defense is no longer used and researchers generally treat realized returns as expected returns in their tests without any qualifications. The purpose of this article is to convince the reader that there is a distention and that it is worth our collective efforts to think about alternative ways to estimate expected returns. He has tried to examine some alternatives and confesses that he doesn't have the final answer. However he does hope that he has convinced us that it is a worthwhile search.

A study conducted by Shmuel Kandel and Robert F. Stambaugh in the title, "Portfolio Inefficiency and the Cross-Section of Expected Return" is more useful to draw conclusion for the study purpose. Expected returns on a set of risky assets obey an exact linear relation to betas computed an index portfolio that lies on the minimum variance boundary of those assets. If the betas are computed instead against an index portfolio that lies inside the minimum-variance boundary, then expected returns must deviate to some degree from any fitted cross-sectional linear relation.

In fact, the mean-variance location of an inefficient index portfolio bears essentially no relation to the plot of expected returns versus betas. For example, expected returns can display essentially no correlation with betas computed against index portfolios with the same variance. Alternatively, expected returns can display a nearly perfect linear relation to betas computed an index portfolio that is grossly inefficient. (Kandel and Stambaugh, *The journals of Finance*. Vol L, No. March 1995:157)

The writers have finally concluded that, an exact linear relation between expected return and betas with respect to a given portfolio p occurs if and only if portfolio p lies exactly on the minimum variance boundary. If portfolio is at all inefficient, however a plot p in mean variance space. An Ordinary Least Square (OLS) slope and R^2 arbitrarily close to zero can occur when portfolio p is arbitrarily close to the minimum – variance boundary. A near – perfect linear relation can occur, with any desired intercept and slope, if portfolio p is grossly inefficient.

What portfolio p is inefficient, it may be useful to adopt an economic context in which to fit a linear relation between expected return and beat and characterize at a theoretical level, that relation's goodness – of – fit. We consider a context of which

the quality of the linear relation is judged by its ability to provide fitted expected returns that are useful substitutes for true expected returns as inputs to a standard one-period portfolio optimization. For a given set of cross-sectional independent variables. Including but not limited to beta, using the expected returns fitted from a General list Square (GSL) regression produces a portfolio with a higher expected return than using any other linear combination of the independent variables.

The absence of a relation between the index portfolio relative efficiency and a plot of expected returns versus betas illustrates the difficulty in using and assessing any model that delivers multiple implications. For example, the Capital Assets Pricing Model of Sharpe (1964), Lintner (1965) and Black (1972) delivers two major implications: i) The market portfolio is mean-variance efficient, and ii) The relation between expected returns and betas is linear. Many finance academics prefer not to view those implications as separate, since either, one implies the other but such a strict view does not easily accommodate the fact that any financial model is at best a convenient and useful abstraction rather than an exact representation of reality. That is the strict view does not easily entertain the possibility that for practical purpose, one implication can hold nearly perfectly while the other is grossly violated.

In some applications, the implication of interest may be that the market portfolio is mean – variance efficient or in practical terms, very nearly so. This implication might lead, for example, to an index fund portfolio strategy or to the use of a market index as a performance benchmark against which to compare other portfolios of similar volatility. If the models implication of interest is instead the cross-sectional mean-beta relation, then we see that the relative efficiency of the index portfolio offers little guidance as to the properties of such a relation. An additional problem with the mean – beta implication arises, however. Even if a linear mean beta relation fits arbitrarily well (but not perfectly) for a given set of n

assets that all portfolio opportunities, the same relation can still provide a poor approximation for the expected return on another asset (a repackaging an assets).

Many applications of the model are likely to use a relation fitted with one set of assets to approximate the expected return on another assets, such as a project in a capital budgeting problem of a managed portfolio in a performance evaluation. Thus unless one takes seriously the possibility that the linear mean beta relation holds perfectly, this implication of the model seems to offer limited applicability.(Ibid. PP. 171-172)

2.3.2 Review from Theses

There are many research works or dissertations conducted by different scholars or student in the topic of return analysis. Previous dissertations, which are to some extent, related to this study, would be taken into considerations. In this context, two these entitled, Risk and Return analysis of Manufacturing and Processing Companies by Damber Bahadur Gurung and Risk and Return Analysis of Manufacturing Company in Nepal by Tekendra Bhattraai are reviewed below.

Mr. Gurung conducted the study on Risk and Return Analysis of Listed Manufacturing and processing Companies by using five-year data of 051/52 to 055/56, BS with taking three samples viz. Nepal battery Company Limited, Nepal Liver Ltd and Jyoti Spinning Mills ltd. Among different objectives, the one to analyze and describe the risk and return of common stock and their portfolio in a simple way has a little relation with this study. He has used different statistical and financial tools with a view to meet the objectives of the research work. He summarizes the finding as:

The beta coefficient of manufacturing and processing companies is not equal to market beta (or 1). The correlation between the samples is negative. Therefore, unsystematic risk () of the portfolio can be reduced.

The common stock of Nepal Battery Company Limited and Nepal Lever Limited are under-priced and that of Jyoti Spinning Mills is over-priced. This implies that under priced and that under priced stock tends to buy and overpriced stock tends to sell.

He further recommends and suggests to manufacturing and processing companies as follows:

Manufacturing and processing companies are getting less return in common stock investment in comparison to risk on it. So, manufacturing and processing companies are strongly advised to make portfolio investment to minimized risk as much as possible.

It is further advised to manufacturing and processing company to keep its financial record up to date.

Another study was conducted by Tekendra Bhattarari titled Risk and Return Analysis of Manufacturing Company in Nepal by using five year data of 1997 to 2001 with five samples. Out of different objectives, the one to analyze risk of these sectors those can be eliminated through diversification without any cast. (Bhattra, 2003:8)

He suggests for portfolio construction by the combination of stocks having negative correlation of returns is far more advantages than those of having positive. (Ibid. p 1-126)

Mr. Bhattarai concludes his findings as:

Closing price movement of JSM and AVU stock shows the price's constantly decreasing and it results into negative return for all the time periods. Correlation coefficient of stocks varies from negative to positive range.

Multiple regression analysis based on dependent variable realized rate of return (R1) and independent variable total assets turnover (R2) and, current ratio (R3) shows that relationship of return and assets turnover is positive, but relationship for other independent variable is not clear as per their beta coefficients and other parameters.

From the above findings and conclusions, he further recommends and suggests as follow:

Stocks having negative correlation of returns are far more advantageous than those of having positive.

Investors must be concerned about the systematic risk of common stock. Sometimes stock having less total risk may have more systematic risk. Due to inherent character of systematic risk, that it cannot be diversified away, investors must care about it.

It is suggested to invest on or buy under priced stock where as overpriced stock to be sold.

2.4 Review from Nepalese Studies

There are normal independent studies conducted in the topic of stock returns and their sensitivities on Nepalese financial sector. Although some studies are available on the same. In this context, various independent studies by finance experts are necessary to discuss to gain various knowledge regarding security market and status of shareholders. And such studies are ultimately helpful to search solutions to the research problems.

A study conducted by prof. Dr. Radhe Shyam Pradhan and Mr. Surya B. Balampaki in the title of Fundamentals of Stock Return in Nepal, in 2004 is taken into consideration. This study is helpful to analyze the stock's return from different aspects. (Pradhan and Balampaki, 2004:8-22)

This study addressed fundamentals of stock return in the context of Nepal it examines if dividend yield, capital gain yield and total yield are related to earnings yield size, book to market ratio and cash flow yield. The study is based on pooled cross sectional data of 40 enterprises whose stock are listed in NEPSE Ltd and traded in the stock market. The overall results of study can be summarized as follows:

Earning yield and cash flow yield have significant positive impact on dividend yield and an insignificant impact on book to market value, whereas, size has negative impact on dividend yield. In the case of earnings yield and cash flow yield has found to be more informative than earnings yield.

Capital gain yield is positive influenced by earnings yield and size, whereas the same is negatively influenced by book to market value and cash flow yield. Book

to market value has been found to be statically strong in predicating capital gain yield.

Similarly, total yield is positively determined by earnings yield and size, whereas the same is negatively determined by book to market value has been found to be more informative than other variables.

The positive relationship exists among earnings yield, book to market value and cash flow yield. However the size is negatively related to these three variables.

Similarly prof. Dr. Manohar Krishna Sharestha has also carried out a study in the topic of Shareholders Democracy and Annual General Meeting feedback in 1992. This study critically analyzed the situation of common stock investors and the situation that is not improving till now.

Sherstha's study has been divided tow parts; The first part is about the right of shareholders regarding how can they exercise them in democratic prospective, and the second part consists of feedback and issues raised by shareholders at different annual general meeting of public limited companies and financial institutions.

In this study, he mentions that government is not interest in formulating separate act to protect the right of shareholders, although the size of shareholders population in Nepal has been growing constantly and he has viewed the need of separate act regarding the protection of shareholder's rights. Company and other acts relating to financial and industrial sector has provisioned rights of the shareholders as:

(i) Voting right (ii) Participation in general meeting (iii) Right of getting information (iv) Electing as a board of director (v) Participation in the profit and loss of the company (vi) Transferring shares (vii) Proxy representation

The collective rights of the shareholders are:

(i) Amend the internal by laws (ii) Authorize the sale of assets (iii) Inter into mergers (iv) Change amount of authorize capital.

Focusing the state of negligence of shareholders Dr. Shrestha argues that some public limited companies have floated the share to the general public without having shareholders representation in the board; there are many such companies which conduct the annual general meeting just to fulfill their desire and do not consider the voice of the majority of the shareholders. Similarly, management involvement and government intervention in the board of election have brought a greater set back in the voting right of the shareholders.

Dr. Sharestha further argues – in many cases the existing authoritarian mentality of management seems to have not considered the shareholders in the managerial plans and policies. Top level decision often bypasses the interest of shareholders.

As the management lacks serious concern about the protection of shareholders right and expectations. The annual general meeting has become a platform for shareholders to express opinions and grievance in front of the management and board of directors. Many general meetings feedback reveal no serious response to the felling of shareholders. It reflects unwillingness of the management and board of directors to change their traditionally held activities towards shareholders.

Above books, journals and independent studies by different authors are presented here in this chapter. Knowledge relating to the topic has been achieved and those studies provided crucial cues for the research purpose.

2.5 Research Gap

This study aims to analyze the return of stock in manufacturing and processing companies. As explained in literature review, Mr. Takendra Bhattraai and Mr. Dambar Bahadur Gurung have analyzed the risk and return of five selected companies. Here, besides analyzing the risk and return, the study is designed to find Capital Assets pricing Model (CAPM) of the selected companies as well. It is the mode, which gives the required rate of return of common stock. Comparison of required rate of return (RRR) and Expected Rate of Return (ERR) determines whether the stock is overpriced or underpriced. The stock, which have underpriced, investor should make buying strategy for these types of stock, and vice-versa.

CHAPTER – III

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1 Introduction

The research is based on historical data provided by the companies. Financial and statistical tools are used to analyze these data in a scientific manner. The research explores return pattern underlying in manufacturing companies. Logical and technical aspects will be the major parts.

There are 29 listed manufacturing companies in Nepal Stock exchange limited, but only four of them viz. Nepal Lever / Unilever Limited, Jyoti Spinning Mills, Bottlers Nepal Limited and Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited, are taken as sample units.

3.2 Research Design

The study is based on analytical and descriptive research design which covers the five years recent historical data from fiscal year 2002/2003 to 2007/2008. This study deals with the common stock of manufacturing companies on the basis of available information. The study will completed within a specified period.

3.3 Population and Sample

There are 29 listed manufacturing and processing companies in Nepal Stock Exchange Limited. All listed manufacturing and processing companies and their investors have been considered as the population. This study covers four manufacturing and processing companies viz. Nepal Lever / Unilever Limited, Jyoti Spinning Mills, Bottlers Nepal Limited and Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited

as samples of total population. Which covers the 13.79 percent of total manufacturing and processing companies?

3.4 Sources of Data

Data are mostly collected from the secondary sources. Financial statements and other related prices of the stocks (DPS and EPS have been collected from website of NEPSE (www.nepalstock.com/nepalstock)). During the study, informal opinion has been taken with the individual investors. Annual report of selected samples is also valuable for this purpose. Similarly, articles, journals related to the manufacturing origin, previous research report etc. also been considered into account while collecting information.

3.5 Tools for Analysis

Analytical tools are the key determinants of the study. To make this research effective it is essential to analyze those, which influence the return of stock. During the study, various financial tools and statistical and mathematical tools are used for the financial interpretation of Market price of stock Dividend, Return of Common Stock Investment, Expected Return of, Common Stock, Portfolio Return, Portfolio Risk. Similarly, for the statistical analysis and test Standard Deviation, Coefficient of Variation, Beta Coefficient, Regression Analysis have been used.

3.5.1 Financial Tools

-) Market price of stock
-) Dividend
-) Return of Common Stock Investment
-) Expected Return of Common Stock
-) Portfolio Return
-) Portfolio Risk

3.5.2 Statistical Tools

-) Standard Deviation
-) Coefficient of Variation
-) Beta Coefficient
-) Regression Analysis

Market Price of Stock (P): Market price of stock one of the major data of this study. Each year closing prices has been taken as market price of the stock which have specific time span of one year and the study has focused in annual basis.

) **Dividend (D):** Dividend is provided to the shareholder as the reward on their investment, which can be either cash dividend or stock dividend. Total dividend amount can be calculated as follows:

Total dividend amount = Cash dividend + (stock dividend% × Next year's MPS)

) **Return of Common Stock Investment (R):** Income from price appreciation (or losses from price depreciation) plus cash dividend is known as return, which comes from the change in investor's wealth plus cash flow (if any) as dividends. This change is usually expressed in percent.

Symbolically,

$$R = \frac{P_t - P_{t-1} + D_t}{P_{t-1}}$$

Where,

R = Rate of return on common stock at time t

P_t = Price of a stock at time t

P_{t-1} = price of a stock at time t-1

D_t = Cash dividend received at time t

) **Expected Return of Common Stock (\bar{R}):** Expected return is obtained through summation of mean return of various years divided by number of years. It is also expressed in percent.

Symbolically,

$$(\bar{R}) = \frac{\sum Pt}{n}$$

Where,

\bar{R} = *Expected rate of return on stock*

n = No. of years that the return is taken

= Sign of summation

) **Standard Deviation (σ):** The square root of the variance of the rates of return is said to be standard deviation. It is used to measure the variability of return distributed or total risk of the investment.

Symbolically,

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\text{var}(r)}$$

Where,

$$\text{Var}(r) = \frac{\sum (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}$$

σ = *SD of return on stock t during the time period n*

) **Coefficient of Variation (CV):** It is the ratio of standard deviation of returns to the mean of that distribution. It is generally used to measure the relative risk.

Symbolically,

$$CV_j = \frac{\sigma_j}{R_j}$$

Where,

CV_j = Coefficient of Variation on stock j

σ_j = Standard deviation of on stock j

\bar{R}_j = Expected rate of return on stock j

) **Portfolio Return (\bar{R}_p):** Portfolio return is a combination of two or more securities or assets. It is simply a weighted average of individual stock return. For our study purpose only two assets portfolio is taken into consideration.

Symbolically,

$$\bar{R}_p = W_i \bar{R}_i + W_j \bar{R}_j + \dots + W_n \bar{R}_n$$

Where,

\bar{R}_p = Expected return on portfolio of stock i and stock j

W_i = Weight of stock i

W_j = Weight of stock j

$W_i + W_j + \dots + W_n = 1$ (Total weight)

) **Portfolio Risk (σ):** Portfolio risk is the measure of combined standard deviation for stocks held in portfolio, with reference to individual stocks corresponding correlation contribution.

Symbolically,

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{W_i^2 \sigma_i^2 + W_j^2 \sigma_j^2 + 2 W_i W_j r_{ij} W \sigma_i \sigma_j}$$

Where,

σ_p = Portfolio risk or standard deviation of portfolio

W_i = Wight or proportion of stock i

W_j = Weight or proportion of stock j

r_{ij} = Correlation between stock i and j

) **Regression Analysis:** Regression analysis is a statistical device used to establish the functional relationship between two or more than two variables. It is simply a relationship between dependent variable and independent variables. This analysis helps to identify sensitivity of return to various financial variables. In this model, we study the following two relationships.

- i. Simple regression model
- ii. Multiple regression model

In this model, we use the least square regression equation model

(i) **Simple Regression Model:** In this model one dependent variable and one independent variable is used to measure the regression. If Y is a liner function of X, Y on X can be expressed as:

$$Y = a + bx$$

Where,

Y = dependent variable

X = Independent variable

a,b = Regression parameter

(ii) **Multiple Regression Model:** The regression equation with one dependent variable and more than one independent variables is called multiple regressions. Multiple regression equation with two independent triple regression can be expressed as:

$$Y = a + b_1x_1 + b_2 x_2$$

CHAPTER – IV

DATA PRESENTATION AND ANALYSIS

4.1 Analysis of Individual Company

Analysis of individual data itself is important for the decision purpose. The stock return and Capital Assets Pricing Model (CAPM) analysis is based on the data related to those terms. Common stock of these respective companies are presented and analyzed here. Recent Nepalese market movement is analyzed and diagnosed taking special reference to manufacturing and processing companies (MPCs) sector. Table and diagrams are used to make the result more simple and understandable.

4.1.1 Nepal Lever Limited (NLL)

NLL was established in 1994 as a joint-venture company with an objective of establishing a factory to manufacturing soaps, detergents, cosmetic, toiletries, oleaginous, saponaceous, and other chemical products of Hindustan Lever Limited outside India. Authorized capital, issued capital and paid – up capital of NLL are Rs. 30,00,00,000 Rs. 9,20,70,000 and Rs. 9,20,70,000 respectively. Moreover, its par value per share is Rs. 100. The listed date of NL's share on stock exchange is 1994/09/22 A.D.

4.1.1.1 Market per share (MPS) and Dividend per share (DPS)

MPS and DPS record of the common stock of Nepal Lever Limited (NLL) for five-year period are shown in table 4.1 below.

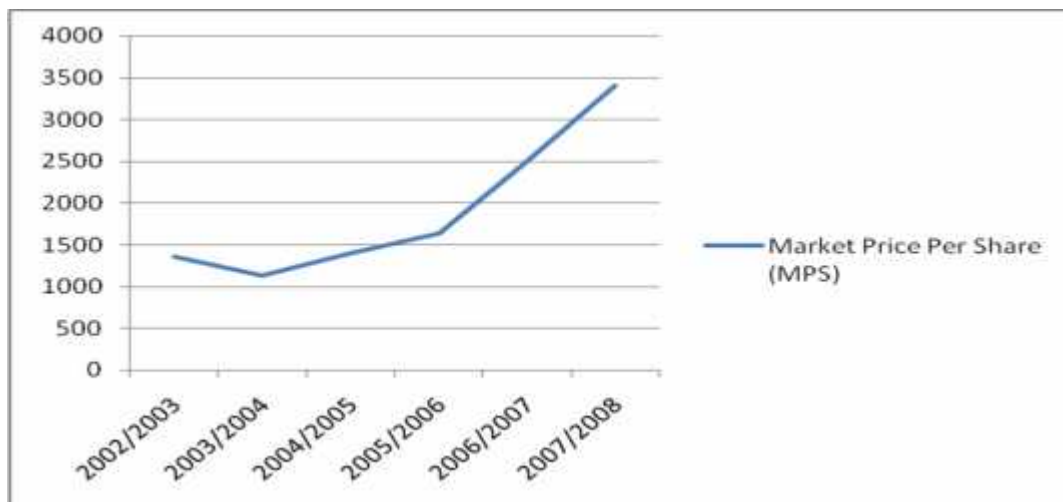
Table 4.1
MPS and DPS Data of NLL

Fiscal Year	Market Price Per Share (MPS)	Dividend % (DPS)		Total Dividend
	Closing Price in Rs.	Cash	Stock	
2002/2003	1350	90	-	90
2003/2004	1130	90	-	90
2004/2005	1400	90	-	90
2005/2006	1631	100	-	100
2006/2007	2500	400	-	400
2007/2008	3400	500	-	500

Source: www.nepalstock.com/nepalstock

As the above table 4.1 indicates that the company's closing price is in increasing order. DPS is also continuously increasing in these five years. Generally, company declares cash dividend. It has not declared stock dividend till now. The price movement of common stock (Cs) of Nepal Lever Limited (NLL) for the respective years is presented below in diagram 4.1, which shows the true picture of price movement of common stocks.

Figure 4.1
Closing Price Movement of CS of NLL



4.1.1.2 Realized Return (R), Expected Return (\bar{R}), and standard Deviation () of NLL

Table 4.2
Calculation of R, \bar{R} and of the CS of NLL

(Amount in Rs.)

Fiscal Year	Year end price	Dividend	$R = \frac{P_t - P_{t-1} + D_t}{P_{t-1}}$	$R - \bar{R}$	$(R - \bar{R})^2$
2002/03	1350	90	-		
2003/04	1130	90	-0.0962	-0.4556	-0.2076
2004/05	1400	90	0.3186	-0.0408	0.001662
2005/06	1631	100	0.2364	-0.1229	0.01511
2006/07	2500	400	0.7781	0.4187	0.175307
2007/08	3400	500	0.5600	0.2006	0.040259
Total			$\sum R_n = 1.7968$		$\sum (R - \bar{R})^2 = 0.4399$

Now we have,

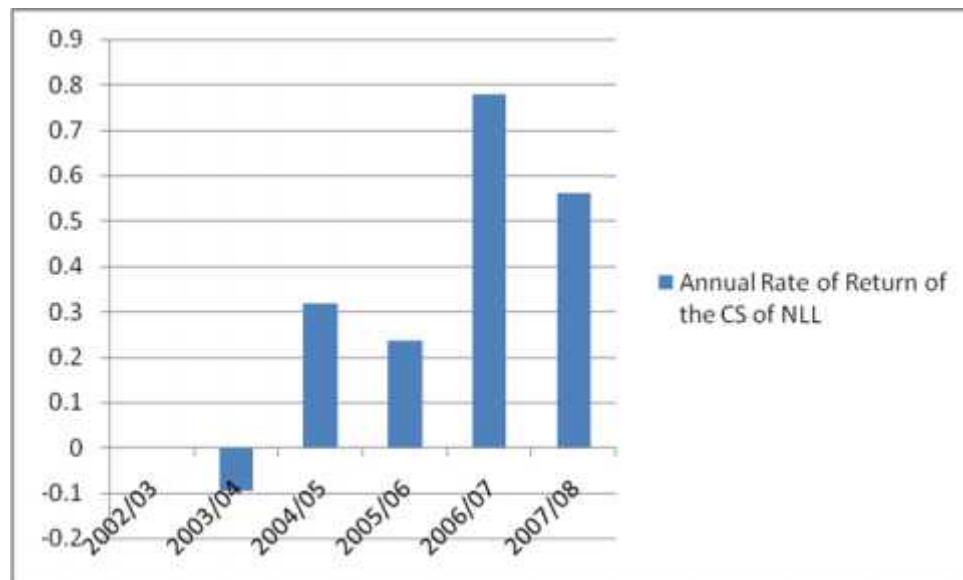
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{1.7968}{5} \\
 &= 0.3593
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n - 1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.4399}{5 - 1}} \\
 &= 0.3316
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.3316}{0.3593} = 0.9229
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above calculation, the expected return on common stock of NLL is 35.93%, where as the risk measurement tool (i.e. SD) is 0.3316.

Figure 4.2
Annual Rate of Return of the CS of NLL



4.1.2 Jyoti Spinning Mills Limited (JSM)

Jyoti Spinning Mills Limited was established in 1989 under the company act 1964 as a joint – venture between Asian Development Bank, Manila and Jyoti Group of Nepal. The main objective of the company is to manufacture cotton, polyester, viscose yarn of international standard and market.

Authorized capital and issued capital of JSM are Rs. 1,00,00,00,000 and Rs. 14, 00, 00,000 respectively, and its par value per share is Rs. 100. The listed data of JSM's share on stock exchange is 1991/09/27 A.D.

4.1.2.1 Market per share (MPS) and Dividend per share (DPS)

MPS and DPS record of the common stock of Jyoti Spinning Mills Limited (JSM) for five-year period are shown in table 4.2 below.

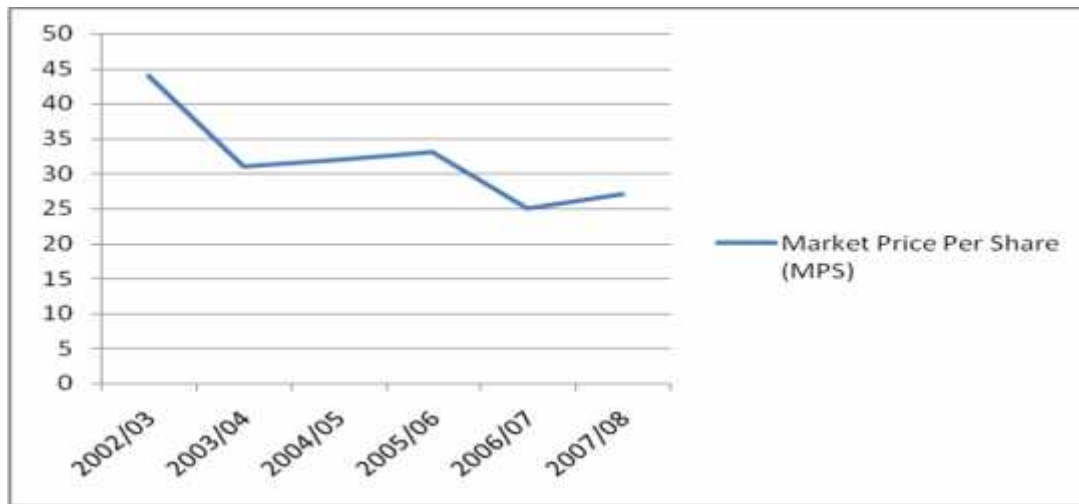
Table 4.3
MPS and DPS Data of JSM

Fiscal Year	Market Price Per Share (MPS)	Dividend % (DPS)		Total Dividend
	Closing Price in Rs.	Cash	Stock	
2002/03	44	-	-	-
2003/04	31	-	-	-
2004/05	32	-	-	-
2005/06	33	-	-	-
2006/07	25	-	-	-
2007/08	27	-	-	-

Source: www.nepalstock.com/nepalstock

As the above table 4.3 indicates that the company's closing price is slightly fluctuating. The company could to declare any dividend neither cash nor stock.

Figure 4.3
Closing Price Movement of CS of JSM



4.1.2.2 Realized Return (R), Expected Return (\bar{R}), and standard Deviation () of JSM

Table 4.4
Calculation of R, \bar{R} and of the CS of JSM

(Amount in Rs.)

Fiscal Year	Year end price	Dividend	$R = \frac{P_t - P_{t-1} + D_1}{P_{t-1}}$	$R - \bar{R}$	$(R - \bar{R})^2$
2002/03	44	-	-	-	-
2003/04	31	-	-0.2954	-0.2165	0.046907
2004/05	32	-	0.0323	0.1111	0.01235
2005/06	33	-	0.0313	0.1101	0.012127
2006/07	25	-	-0.2424	-0.1636	0.026749
2007/08	27	-	0.0800	0.1589	0.025241
Total			$\sum R_t = -0.3943$		$\sum (R - \bar{R})^2 = 0.1233/4$

Now we have,

$$(i) \text{Expected return } (\bar{R}) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n}$$

$$= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5}$$

$$= \frac{-0.3943}{5}$$

$$= -0.0788 = 7.88\%$$

$$(ii) \text{ Standard Deviation } (\sigma) = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n - 1}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{0.123374}{5 - 1}}$$

$$= 0.1756$$

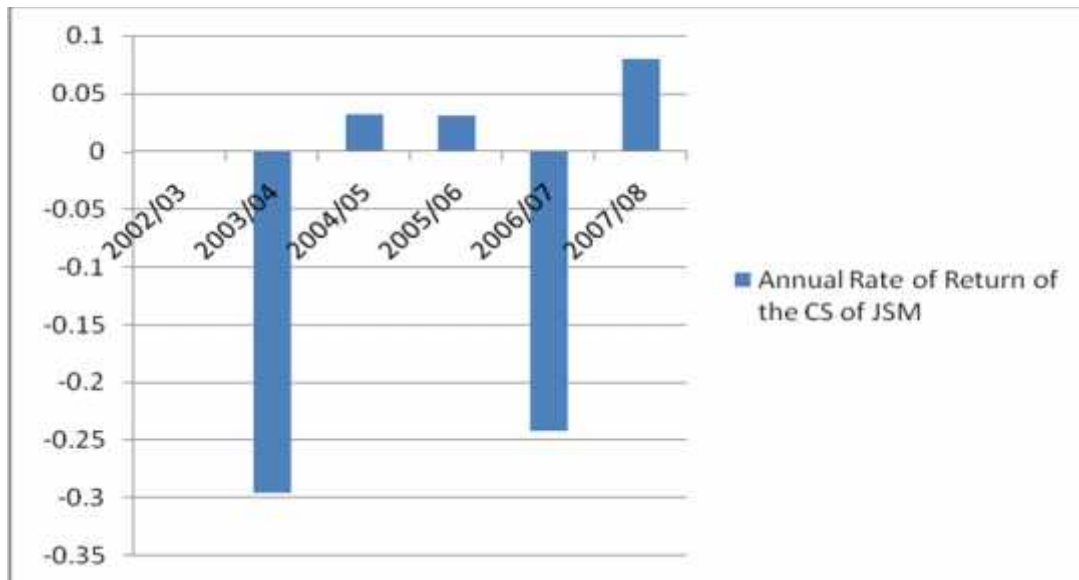
$$(iii) \text{ Coefficient of Variation (CV)} = \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}}$$

$$= \frac{0.1756}{-0.0788}$$

$$= -2.228$$

From the above calculation, the expected return on common stock of JSM is - 7.88%, where as the risk measurement tool (i.e. SD) is 0.1756.

Figure 4.4
Annual Rate of Return of the CS of JSM



4.1.3 Bottlers Nepal Limited (BNL)

Bottlers Nepal Limited was established as a private limited company in 1973 under the company act. 1964. In 1984, it was converted into public limited company. The main objective of the company is to produce & bottle soft drinks under the brand name of Coke, Fanta, Sprite etc. the company has established a subsidiary company. Bottlers Nepal (Terai) limited in Chitwan district. F&N Coca-Cola pvt. Ltd, Singapore, the major shareholder of the company, is managing the company since September 1993. The installed capacity of the plant in 220 bottling per minute (BPM). The company was listed on Nepal stock Exchange in 1986/11/05.

4.1.3.1 Market per share (MPS) and Dividend per share (DPS)

MPS and DPS record of the common stock of Bottlers Nepal Limited (BNL) for five-year period are shown in table 4.5 below.

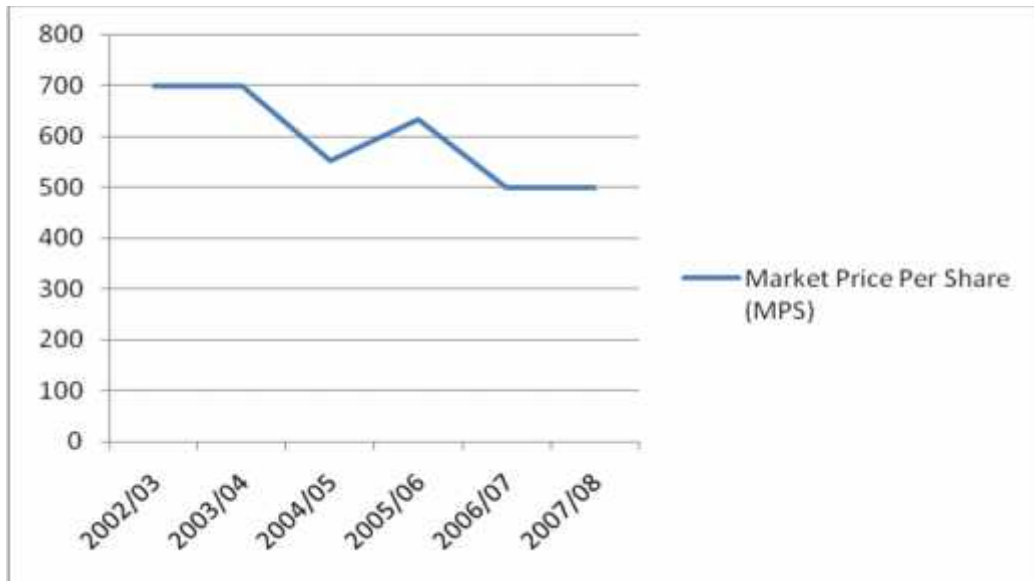
Table 4.5
MPS and DPS Data of BNL

Fiscal Year	Market Price Per Share (MPS)	Dividend % (DPS)		Total Dividend
	Closing Price in Rs.	Cash	Stock	
2002/03	700	10	-	10
2003/04	700	10	-	10
2004/05	554	-	-	-
2005/06	635	-	-	-
2006/07	500	-	-	-
2007/08	500	-	-	-

Source: www.nepalstock.com/nepalstock

As the above table 4.5 indicates that the company's closing price is fluctuating. The company declares cash dividend on the year of 2003/2004 than after the company could not declares any dividend neither cash nor stock in last four years.

Figure 4.5
Closing Price Movement of CS of BNL



4.1.3.2 Realized Return (R), Expected Return (\bar{R}), and standard Deviation () of BNL

Table 4.6
Calculation of R, \bar{R} and of the CS of BNL

(Amount in Rs)

Fiscal Year	Year end price	Dividend	$R = \frac{p_t - p_{t-1} + D_1}{p_{t-1}}$	$R - \bar{R}$	$(R - \bar{R})^2$
2002/03	700	10	-	-	-
2003/04	700	10	0.014286	0.06642	0.004412
2004/05	554	-	-0.2086	-0.1564	0.024472
2005/06	635	-	0.1462	0.01983	0.03934
2006/07	500	-	-0.2126	-0.1605	0.025749
2007/08	500	-	0.0000	0.0521	0.002718
Total			$\sum R_n = -0.2607$		$\sum (R - \bar{R})^2 = 0.09669$

Now we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{-0.2607}{5} \\
 &= -0.0521 = -5.21\%
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n - 1}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{0.09669}{5-1}}$$

$$= 0.1554$$

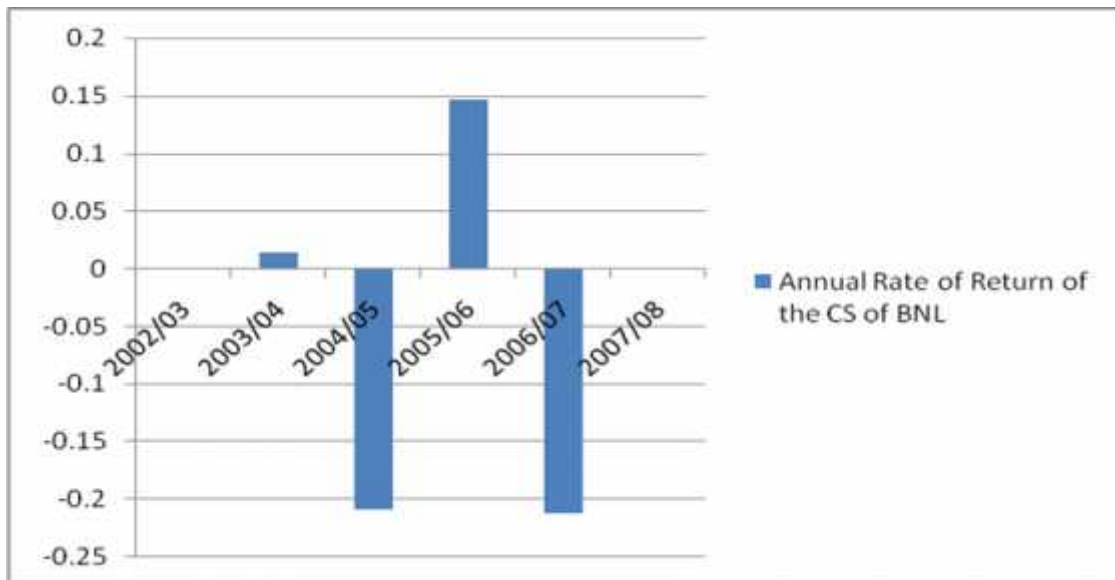
(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV) = $\frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}}$

$$= \frac{0.1554}{-0.0521}$$

$$= -2.984$$

From the above calculation, the expected return on common stock of BNL is - 5.21%, where as the risk measurement tool (i.e. SD) is 0.1554.

Figure 4.6
Annual Rate of Return of the CS of BNL



4.1.4 Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited (AVUL)

4.1.4.1 Market per share (MPS) and Dividend per share (DPS)

MPS and DPS record of the common stock of Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited (AVUL) for five-year period are shown in table 4.7 below.

Table 4.7
MPS and DPS Data of AVUL

Fiscal Year	Market Price Per Share (MPS)	Dividend % (DPS)		Total Dividend
	Closing Price in Rs.	Cash	Stock	
2002/03	58	-	-	-
2003/04	58	-	-	-
2004/05	57	-	-	-
2005/06	58	-	-	-
2006/07	58	-	-	-
2007/08	50	-	-	-

Source: www.nepalstock.com/nepalstock

As the above table 4.7 indicates that the company's closing price is slightly fluctuating. The company could to declare any dividend neither cash nor stock.

Figure 4.7
Closing Price Movement of CS of AVUL

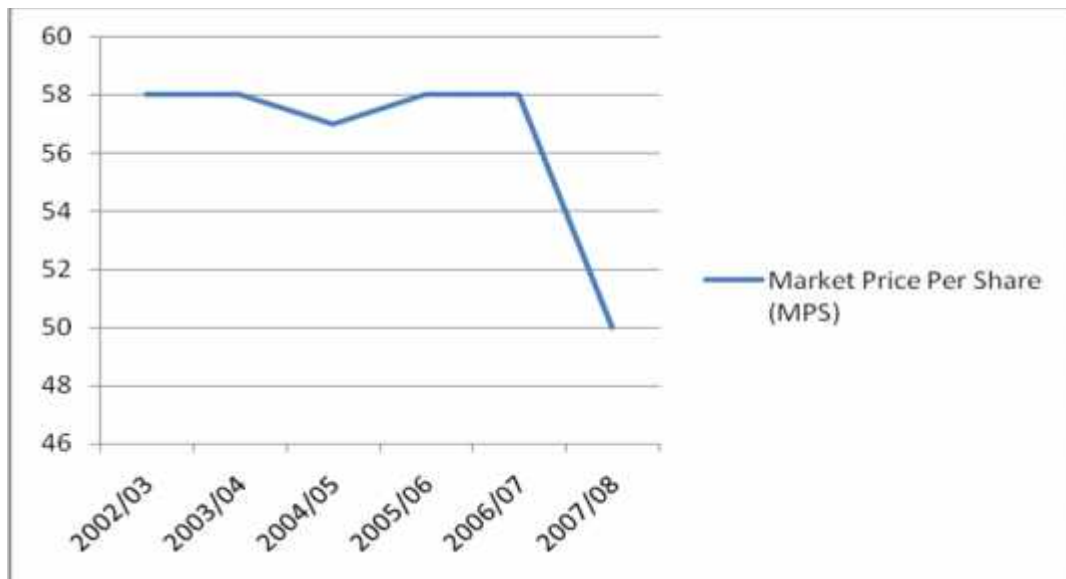


Table 4.8
Calculation of R, \bar{R} and of the CS of AVUL

(Amount in Rs)

Fiscal Year	Year end price	Dividend	$R = \frac{p_t - p_{t-1} + D_1}{p_{t-1}}$	$R - \bar{R}$	$(R - \bar{R})^2$
2002/03	58	-	-	-	-
2003/04	58	-	0	0.027526	0.000758
2004/05	57	-	-0.0172	0.0103	0.000106
2005/06	58	-	0.0175	0.0451	0.002031
2006/07	58	-	0.0000	0.0275	0.000758
2007/08	50	-	-0.1379	-0.1104	0.012189
Total			$\sum R_n = -0.1376$		$\sum (R - \bar{R})^2 = 0.015842$

Now we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{-0.1376}{5} \\
 &= -0.0275 = -2.75\%
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n - 1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.015842}{5 - 1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

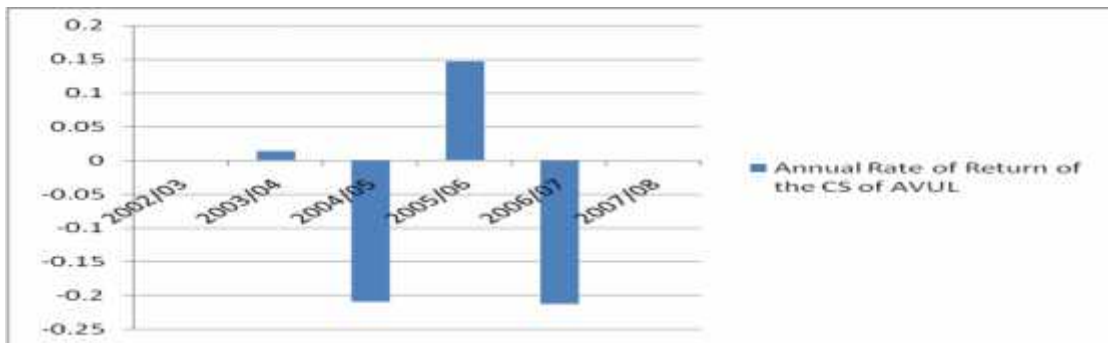
$$= 0.0629$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\ &= \frac{0.0629}{-0.0275} \\ &= -2.28 \end{aligned}$$

From the above calculation, the expected return on common stock of AVUL is -2.75%, where as the risk measurement tool (i.e. SD) is 0.0629.

Figure 4.8

Annual Rate of Return of the CS of AVUL



4.2 Inter Firm Comparison

Market capitalization of four manufacturing companies at 16th July 2008 is shown in the following table.

Table 4.9

Market Capitalization of Selected Manufacturing Companies

Companies	Market Capitalization (Rs.)	Percentage
NLL	3130380000	71.70
JSM	34297776	0.79
BNL	1169332200	26.78
AVUL	31919894	0.73
Total	4365929870	100.00

Source: www.nepalstock.com/nepalstock

Market Capitalization of NLL is highest (i.e. 71.70%) among other companies where as the lowest market capitalization is recorded of AVUL (i.e. 0.73%). The portion of capitalization can be shown in figure below:

Figure 4.9
Portion of Market Capitalization of Each Sample

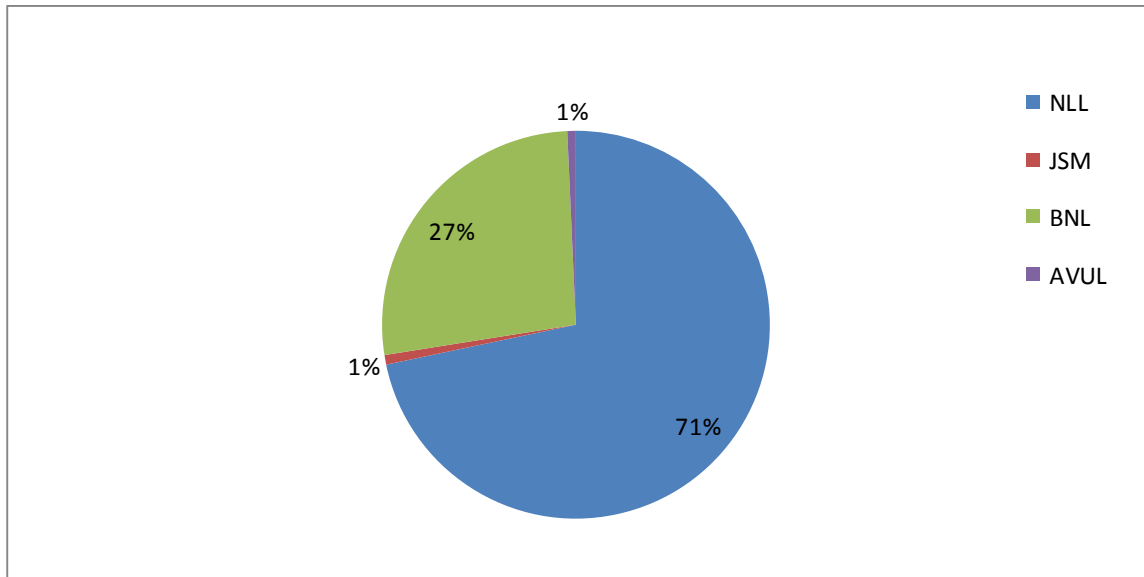


Table 4.10
Expected Return, Standard Deviation and Coefficient of Variation of Each Sample

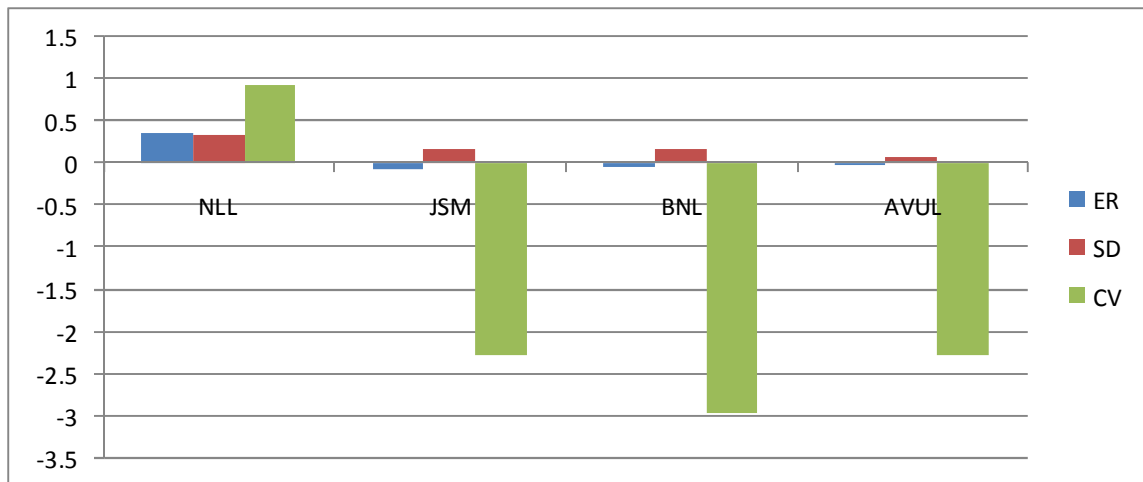
S.N.	Companies	Expected Return	Standard Deviation	Coefficient of Variation	Remarks
1	NLL	0.3593	0.3316	0.9229	Higher \bar{R}
2	JSM	-0.0788	0.1756	-0.228	
3	BNL	-0.054	0.1554	-2.984	
4	AVUL	-0.0275	0.0629	-2.28	Lowest

Expected return, standard deviation and coefficient of variation are given in table 4.10 NLL has higher expected return and also a positive value. Expected return of other three companies showing negative value. So we can choose NLL in those of other, which stood as 375.93%. It means hat by investing Rs. 100 in the common stock of NLL, its shareholders can earn Rs. 35.93 at the end of the year. The expected returns of other three companies are sowing negative value. Depending exclusively upon expected return, we can say NLL is best of all to invest. CV gives relative measure of risk. It gives us risk per unit of return and hence, make easy to compare assets. Since CV of NLL is 0.9229 and all rest companies CV is negative.

Depending exclusively upon return statistics, it may lead to change unsuccessful company's stock. So we must use CV while evaluating common stocks. Figure below ascertains the expected return, standard deviation and coefficient of variation on common stock of five companies.

Figure 4.10

Expected Return, Standard Deviation and Coefficient of Variation of Each Sample



4.3 Industry – Wise Comparison

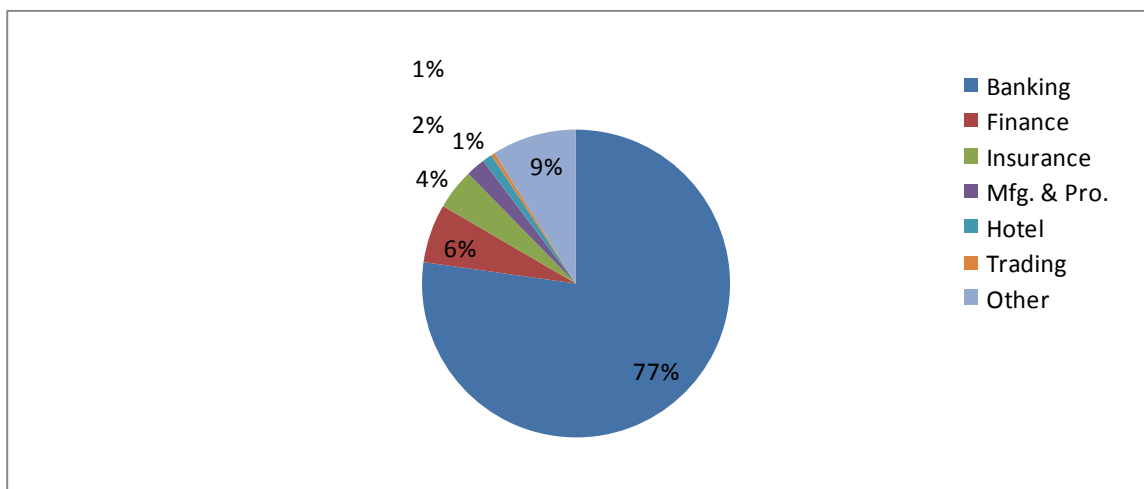
A comparison is made on the basis of market capitalization and NEPSE index. The industry wise proportion of the market capitalization is shown in the following table and figure.

Table 4.11
Industry – Wise Capitalization at 16 July 2008

Industry	Market Capitalization (Rs. In million)	Percentage
Banking	144067.23	77.24
Finance	11491.41	6.16
Insurance	7959.78	4.27
Mfg. & Pro.	3760.28	2.02
Hotel	1935.59	1.04
Trading	787.40	0.42
Other	16503.02	8.85
Total	186504.71	100.00

Source: www.nepalstock.com/nepalstock

Figure 4.11
Portion of Market Capitalization of Each Sector



The above figure shows the market capitalization of each sector. The market capitalization of the banking sector is highest i.e. 77.24% where as the market capitalization of trading sector is the lowest i.e. 0.42%. Manufacturing sector's market capitalization is 2.20%. The table below shows the year end market capitalization of different industries.

Table 4.12
Year End (F.Y.) Market Capitalization of Different Industries

Year	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Industry						
Banking	25861.89	22453.49	28755.73	39596.17	70068.73	144067.23
Finance	4328.55	2474.85	2942.28	3471.50	4930.63	11491.41
Insurance	1825.32	2150.42	2549.30	3659.86	4852.19	7959.78
Mfg. & Pro.	2807.74	4731.30	4472.75	4585.66	4619.20	3760.28
Hotel	107.12	2550.61	1065.86	1016.45	2393.61	1935.59
Trading	527.48	488.02	603.53	802.04	737.39	787.40
Other	1071.09	67.26	65.35	4187.73	8012.20	16503.02

Table 4.13
Sector Wise NEPSE Index (at closing data of FY)

Industry	Banking	Finance	Insurance	Mfg. & Pro.	Hotel	Trading	Other	Market
Year								
2002/03	241.15	288.76	160.56	276.67	216.51	102.20	77.34	227.54
2003/04	223.31	224.39	198.21	250.13	196.68	94.56	40.56	204.86
2004/05	231.97	195.03	237.62	225.58	184.41	95.01	142.65	222.04
2005/06	304.64	228.39	320.24	276.50	178.00	123.20	347.65	286.67
2006/07	437.49	261.37	381.25	301.11	180.77	148.11	410.00	370.79
2007/08	789.21	471.82	612.46	348.63	251.47	155.37	818.12	683.95

On the basis of industry wise NEPSE index, return of each industry (sector) is calculated and presented in the table given below. Detail of calculation is shown in appendix at the end of the chapter.

Table 4.14

Realization Rate of Return of Each Sector in Five Year Period

Year	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08
Industry					
Banking	-0.07398	0.03878	0.313273	0.436088	0.80395
Finance	-0.22292	-0.13084	0.171051	0.144402	0.80518
Insurance	0.234492	0.19883	0.347698	0.190513	0.606452
Mfg. & Pro.	-0.09593	-0.09815	0.225729	0.089005	0.157816
Hotel	-0.09159	-0.06239	-0.03476	0.015562	0.391105
Trading	-0.07476	0.004759	0.296706	0.202192	0.049018
Other	-0.47556	2.517012	1.437084	0.179347	0.995415
Market	-0.09967	0.42357	0.453067	0.241967	0.763805

Table 4.14 shows the return of each industry (sector) calculated on the basis of industry wise NEPSE index. Even though industry wise NEPSE index is not available in NEPSE, it is calculated on the basis of data provided and model applied as per NEPSE. Details of calculation of index are not included in the report. Rate of return over the five years period is presented on the above table 4.14, which shows the highest return in FY 2003/2004 of other sector. In 2003/04, the return of almost all sectors is negative except insurance. The return of hotel sector seems not so good in 2003-2006. But in last two year it seems raising up.

Table 4.15
Expected Return, Standard Deviation and Coefficient of Variation of Mfg &
Pro Company

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2002/03	-0.09593	-0.1515	0.0230
2003/04	-0.09815	-0.1537	0.0236
2004/05	0.225729	0.1701	0.0289
2005/06	0.089005	0.0334	0.0011
2006/07	0.157816	0.1022	0.0104
Total	$R_t=0.278475$		$(R_t - \bar{R})^2=0.0871$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{0.278475}{5} \\
 &= 0.0556
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.0871}{5-1}} \\
 &= 0.1475
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.1475}{0.0556} = 2.654
 \end{aligned}$$

Table 4.16
Expected Return, Standard Deviation and Coefficient of Variation of
Different Industries

S.N.	Industry (Sector)	Expected Return (\bar{R})	SD ()	Coefficient of Variation (CV)
1	Banking	0.3036	0.3466	1.142
2	Finance	0.1533	0.4023	2.6247
3	Insurance	0.2687	0.1819	0.00006
4	Mfg. & Pro.	0.0556	0.1475	2.654
5	Hotel	0.0435	0.1982	4.5487
6	Trading	0.0955	0.1510	1.580
7	Other	0.9306	1.1531	1.239
8	Market	0.3178	0.3897	1.2262

Sources: Appendix 1

Details of calculation have been made of the variables of each industry (besides Mfg & Pro Company) in appendix at the end of chapter. According to the calculation, manufacturing and processing sector has 5.56% returns. On the basis of return point of view, other sector is better to invest. But through the view point of risk, it is better to invest in Mfg & Pro sector which have the lower SD than rest sectors. Depending on the CV measure's Insurance sector is better due to the lowest CV than other sector.

4.4 Comparison with Market

4.4.1 Market Risk and Return

In Nepal, there is only one stock market, which is the stock exchange (NEPSL). It is a non-profit organization operation under securities exchange act 1983. Market

index of NEPSE index represents the overall market movement. Market return, its SD and CV is shown in the following table.

Table 4.17
Realization rate of Return, Standard Deviation and the Coefficient of
Variation of the Market

FY	Market Index (MI)	$R_m = \frac{MI_1 - MI_0}{MI_0}$	$R_m - \bar{R}_m$	$(R_m - \bar{R}_m)^2$
2002/03	227.54	-	-	
2003/04	204.86	-0.0996	-0.3822	
2004/05	222.04	0.0838	-0.1988	
2005/06	286.67	0.2910	0.0084	
2006/07	370.79	0.2934	0.0108	
2007/08	683.95	0.8445	0.5619	
Total		$\Sigma R_m = 1.4131$		$\Sigma(R_m - \bar{R}_m)^2 = 0.5014$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\Sigma R}{n} \\ &= \frac{1.4131}{5} \\ &= 0.2826 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma(R-\bar{R})}{n-1}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{0.5014}{5-1}} \\ &= 0.3540 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\ &= \frac{0.3540}{0.2826} \\ &= 1.2528 \end{aligned}$$

The above table 4.17 shows the expected rate of return, standard deviation and coefficient of variation of market. The total realization rate of return and expected rate of return on market is 1.4131 and 0.2826 respectively. And total risk (SD) is 35.40% where as CV is 1.25 Market index and market return movement for five years is presented in figure below.

Figure 4.12

Market Index Movement

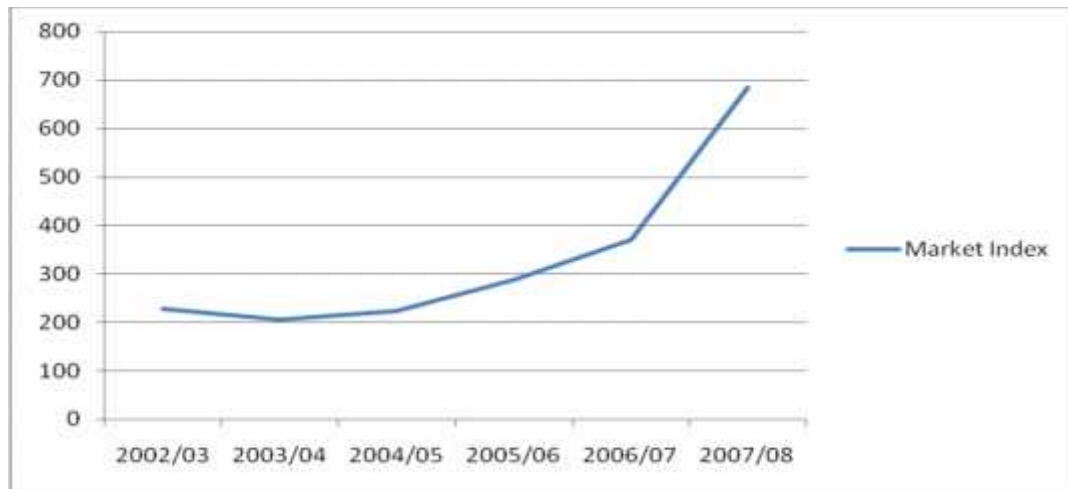
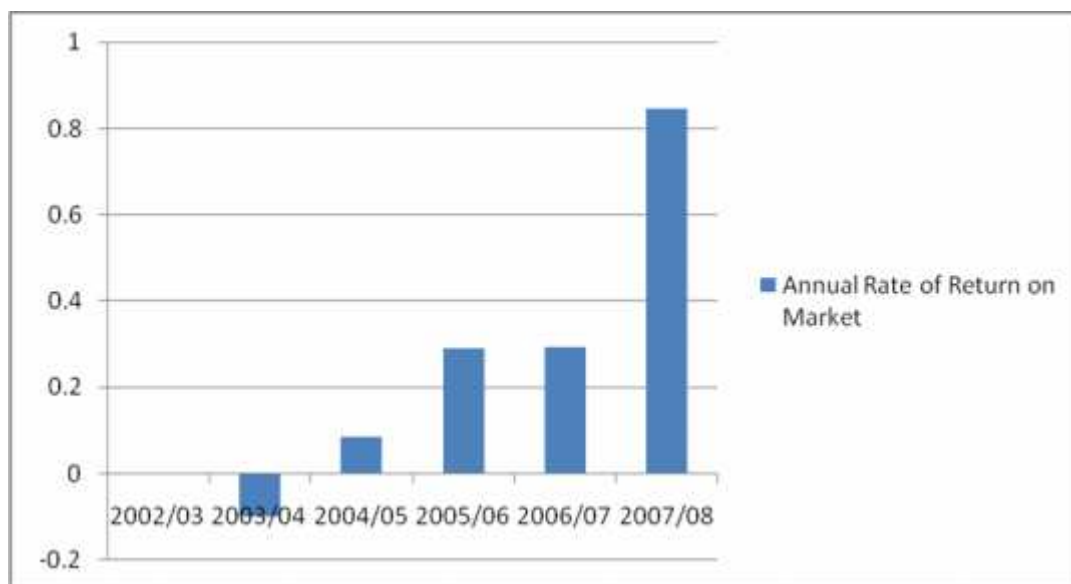


Figure 4.13

Annual Rate of Return on Market



4.5 Measurement of Systematic Risk (Beta Risk)

The systematic risk is a portion of the total risk which is the degree of sensitivity of a stock's return to market movement. To make investment choices, many professionals and investors use beta to compare stock's market risk of that of other stock and the market as a whole. As per CAPM, expected return should relate to its degree of systematic risk and not to its degree of total risk. Market sensitivity of stock is explained by its beta coefficient, measure of systematic risk.

Beta measure the systematic risk of a stock. Beta of market (β_m) = 1 (Always)

Beta = 1, one percent change in the market returns will cause exactly one percent change in the stock's returns (average type).

Beta < 1, a change in the market returns causes less than proportionate change in that stock's return. One percentage increase (or decrease) in the market returns will cause less than one percentage increase (or decrease) in stock's returns (defensive type)

Beta > 1, a stock's return will increase (or decrease) by more than one percentage for every percentage increase (or decrease) in the market returns (aggressive type).

Negative Beta: a beta less than zero is possible but highly unlikely. In this case, the stock's return would tend to rise whenever the return on other stocks falls.

Hence, the stock having lesser beta is always preferable to the company having higher beta.

As already mentioned, the knowledge of systematic risk helps to know details about effects of diversification, CAPM and price situation and in turn beta helps to

identify portion of systematic of sample companies. Details of calculation are not presented here. It is presented in appendix at the end of the chapter.

Table 4.18
Beta Coefficient of Selected Mfg. & Pro. Companies

S.N.	Companies	Beta	Remarks
1	Nepal Liver Limited (NLL)	0.5952	B<1
2	Jyoti Spinning Mills (JSM)	0.3439	B<1
3	Bottlers Nepal Limited (BNL)	0.6958	B<1
4	Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited (AVUL)	-0.1474	Negative beta

Above table shows the beta coefficient of four selected manufacturing companies. Beta of three companies stock (NLL, JSM and BNL) has less than 1 (one) it indicates that all these stock returns are less than the market returned. Therefore the B<1, implies that a stock's returns are less sensitivity to market fluctuations and the stock is considered to be the defensive type. Beta coefficient of AVUL is negative i.e. – 0.1474. This movement pattern is just opposite to that of market. After analyzing the above betas, JSM beta has the lowest than other stocks beta. So, the JSM's stock is less volatile than other stocks.

4.6 Capital Assets Pricing Model (CAPM) and Price Evaluation

The CAPM is based on the efficient market hypothesis & provide a basis to measure the systematic risk (beta coefficient) in terms of covariance of its return with the market returns. It is the mode which gives the required rate of return of common stock. Required rate of return is risk free rate plus risk premium. Capital market theory shows the market premium, $(\bar{R}_m - R_f)$ weighted by the systematic risk () of individual security. Comparison of required rate of return (RRR) and

expected rate of return (ERR) determines whether the stock is overpriced or underpriced. The capital assets pricing model addresses the following issues:

-) Measurement of an asset's systematic risk (beta).
-) Appropriate premium for an asset's systematic risk (rp).
-) Required rate of return on risky asset.
-) Basis for the selection of individual stocks according to individual preferences.

Table below shows the RRR, ERRR and price situation.

Table 4.19
RRR, ERRR and Price Situation

S.N.	MPCs	Beta j	RRR=Rf + $(\bar{R}_M - R_f)\beta_j$	ERR	Evaluation Price
1	NLL	0.5952	0.18727	0.3593	Undervalued
2	JSM	0.3439	0.128088	-0.0788	Overvalued
3	BNL	0.6958	0.210961	-0.054	Overvalued
4	AVUL	-0.1474	0.012387	-0.0275	Overvalued

Where,

Rf = Risk free rate of return i.e. 0.0471 \cong 4.71%

\bar{R}_m = Market rate of return i.e. 0.2826 \cong 28.26%

$(\bar{R}_m - R_f) = 0.2826 - 0.0471 = 0.2355$ is the risk premium market.

- ❖ Risk free rate is based on weighted average discount rate of government treasure bills for 2007/2008.

Table 4.19 shows the RRR, ERR and Price Evaluation of sample companies. As we already mentioned, it can be determined whether the stock is underpriced and or overpriced with comparison of ERR and RRR. If RRR is less than ERR, stock is said to be under priced and investor should make buying strategy for these type

of stock, and vice versa. Average rate of return of NLL is 35.93%, where RRR is less than ERR, so their stock have undervalued or underpriced. Rest three companies are overvalued because their RRR is greater than ERR, and also a negative value. To induce investors to accept their systematic risk, it is better to have stock undervalued.

4.7 Regression Analysis

Regression analysis is designed to ascertain if there is some kind of relationship between the average return and variance fundamental variables of the company. In this context, we are using only linear relationship (if any). For the analysis, average return of sample companies are taken as dependent variable and fundamental variables of return (i.e. Beta coefficient and market capitalization) are chosen as independent variables. The input data and details of regression result are presented in appendix.

4.7.1 Simple Regression Analysis

Simple regression model is applied as average return (AR) is dependent and beta coefficient () is independent variable.

The model is:

$$Y = a + bx$$

Where,

Y = Average return

a = Intercept (Constant)

x = Beta Coefficient

The result is presented in table below.

Table 4.20

Regression of Average Return on Beta Coefficient

(Regression Equation $AR = a + b$)

Dependent	Intercept	Regression Coefficient	R²
AR	0.0195	0.1862	0.1143

The results presented in table 4.20 indicate that the regression result shows a positive relationship between AR and Beta. One rupee increase in Beta leads to rupee 0.1862 increase in AR with keeping other variables constant. The coefficient of determination (R^2) is 0.01143 which indicates that 11.43% of total variation in average return can be explained by beta.

4.7.2 Multiple Regression Analysis

It is necessary to know the effect on average return of manufacturing and processing companies. For overall result, this study covered the data of FY 2002/03 to 2006/07 of sample companies. The study here, examined the relationship between average return with beta coefficient and market capitalization. For this purpose, following regression model is applied as:

$$Y = a + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2$$

Where,

Y = Average return

a = Intercept

x_1 = Beta Coefficient

x_2 = Market Capitalization

The results of the multiple regressions are presented in table below.

Table 4.21

Regression of Average Return on Beta and Market Capital

(Regression Equation $AR = a + b_1 + b_2 mc$)

Dependent variable	Intercept	Regression Coefficient of		R ²
		Beta	Mc	
AR	-0.0501	-0.2779	0.8128	1.1254

The above result presented the multiple regressions between Beta and MC. In this expression, average return and beta shows the negative relation which fails to lead average return. But average return and MC shows the positive relation which shows one percent increase in MC leads to the above 0.8128 percent increase in AR, holding other variable constant. The value of coefficient determination (R²) is 1.1254, which indicates that 112.54% of total variation in average return can be explained by independent variables.

4.8 Portfolio Analysis

The objective of Portfolio analysis is to reduce risk and maximize return. By combining securities of low risks with securities of high risks, success can be achieved by in making a choice of investment outlets. Here, we use the weighted proportion is equal in four selected companies (stock). Which is use in assumption i.e. equal in all securities?

) Portfolio return (\bar{R}_p): The expected return on portfolio is simply the weighted average of expected return on the individual stock in the portfolio with the weights being the fraction of the total portfolio invested in each stock. Which is calculated by using this formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{R}_p &= W_N \bar{R}_N + W_J \bar{R}_J + W_B \bar{R}_B + W_A \bar{R}_A \\
&= 0.25 \times 0.3593 + 0.25 \times (-0.0788) + 0.25 \times (-0.054) + 0.25 \times (-0.0275) \\
&= 0.0898 - 0.0197 - 0.0135 - 0.0068 \\
&= 0.0497
\end{aligned}$$

Where,

W_N = Weight or proportion of NLL

\bar{R}_N = Return of NLL

W_J = Weight or proportion of JSM

\bar{R}_J = Return of JSM

W_B = Weight or proportion of BNL

\bar{R}_B = Return of BNL

W_A = Weight or proportion of AVUL

\bar{R}_A = Return of AVUL

By using this formula we find that $\bar{R}_p = 0.0497$ for four selected companies.

) Portfolio Risk (σ_p): Expected risk on a portfolio is a function of the proportions invested in the components the riskiness of the components and correlation of returns on the component securities. It is measured by standard deviation and calculated by using this formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_p^2 &= \sqrt{W_i^2 \sigma_i^2 + W_j^2 \sigma_j^2 + 2W_i W_j Cov_{ij} + \dots} \\
&= \sqrt{(0.25)^2 (0.3316)^2 + (0.25)^2 (0.1756)^2 + 2 \times 0.25 \times 0.25 \times 0.0731 + \dots} \\
&= 0.1967
\end{aligned}$$

Where,

σ_p = Portfolio risk or standard deviation of portfolio

W_i = Weight or proportion of stock i

W_j = Weight or proportion of stock j

COV_{ij} = Covariance between stock i and j

By using this formula we find that $\sigma_p = 0.1976$ for four selected companies.

4.9 Major Findings

1. Among the four selected enterprises, the expected return of Nepal Lever Limited (NLL) is highest return and rest three companies Jyoti Spinning Mills (JSM), Bottlers Nepal Limited (BNL) and Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited (AVUL) has negative return.
2. SD shows that most of the enterprises are quit risky as it compared with return. The ranking of the company from lower risk to higher risk can be found as AVUL, BNL, JSM and NLL. NLL has positive CV and remaining three companies has negative Which shows les consistent or riskier as compare to return.
3. Comparison among industries indicates the strong position of other sector as comparing with rest different sectors. Expected return, Standard Deviation and Coefficient of variation of market as 31.78%, 38.79% and 1.2262 respectively.
4. The beta coefficient of selected companies rang in between 0.6958 to -0.1474 times. JSM has lowest beta risk and AVUL shows the negative beta which shows the opposite relation with market.
5. CAPM provides a basis to measure the systematic risk in terms of co-variance of its return with the market return. Study shows the common stock of all sample enterprises (besides NLL) are overpriced/overvalued as these lie below the CAPM line and investors should make better to selling strategy.

NLL stock is underpriced / undervalued as it lies above the CAPM and it is better to buying strategy.

6. Regression analysis shows the positive relationship between AR and Beta. One rupee increase in Beta leads to rupee 0.1862 increase in AR with keeping other variables constant.
7. Portfolio analysis shows the portfolio return of four selected companies is 0.0497 and portfolio risk is 0.1976.

CHAPTER – V

SUMMARY, CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Summary

Return is the primary requirement of any investment. It can be calculated by using various financial and statistical tools. People show their willingness to invest in those opportunities where they can get higher return. They invest their belongings with an expectation of getting some reward for leaving its liquidity.

Capital Assets Pricing Model (CAPM) is an economic model for valuing stock securities derivative and assets by relating risk and expected return. This model says that the expected return of investors is equal to the rate on risk-free security plus a risk premium. If the expected return does not meet the required return, the investors will refuse to invest and the investment should not be under taken.

Industry is the backbone of economic development of nation. In Nepal Industries have not been developed to the expected extent. The stock market in Nepal is highly dominated by commercial banks in terms of market capitalization and annual turnover. Shares of manufacturing companies are taken as worthless instruments.

Due to the various limitation and constraints four manufacturing enterprises viz. Nepal Lever/Unilever Limited, Jyoti Spinning Mills, Bottlers Nepal Limited and Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited are taken as sample for the study, which are listed in Nepal Stock Exchange (NEPSE).

1. In this research, NLL is giving highest return among the four selected companies. So we choose NLL in return point of view.
2. In comparison with risk, AVUL has lower risk.
3. Among industry, wise comparison the "other sector" has strong position in return point of view but it has high risk too.
4. Study shows the common stock of all sample enterprises (besides NLL) are overpriced/overvalued as these lie below the CAPM line and investors should make better to selling strategy. NLL stock is underpriced/undervalued as it lies above the CAPM and it is better for buying strategy.
5. Regression analysis shows the positive relationship between AR and Beta. Moreover, portfolio analysis shows the portfolio return of four selected companies is 0.0497 and portfolio risk is 0.1976.

5.2 Conclusion

From the statistical and financial analysis of the sampled manufacturing and processing company's data, we can draw the following conclusions.

1. Among the four selected enterprises, the expected return of Nepal Lever Limited (NLL) is highest. So we choose NLL in return point of view. NLL stock is underpriced/undervalued as it lies above the CAPM and it is better to buying strategy.
2. SD shows that most of the enterprises are quit risky as it compared with return. AVUL has lower risk so, it is better to invest this companies but it has overpriced/overvalued as it lies above the CAPM and it is better to selling strategy. BNL and JSM are not in such risk and return point. And, they have also a overpriced/overvalued condition.
3. The beta coefficient of selected companies rang in between 0.6958 to -0.1474 times. JSM has lowest beta risk and AVUL shows the negative beta, which shows the opposite relation with market.

4. Portfolio analysis shows that the portfolio return of four selected companies is 0.0497 and portfolio risk is 0.1976. Main objective of portfolio analysis is to minimize risk and maximize return.

5.3 Recommendations

Recommendation and suggestions are prescribed here on the basis of analyzed data and findings of this research.

1. To assess profitable investment, it is better to measure the coefficient of variation because CV is a measure of relative dispersion (risk), a measure of risk per unit of expected return and more useful than absolute one i.e. SD of a give security.
2. Manufacturing company's stocks returns and risks have very divergent in nature. Therefore, it is suggest considering these while investing in this sector.
3. From the risk point of view, it is suggest to individual investor that all the investment fund should not be invested only in single assets.
4. Investor should have a very close look to the company, where he/she want varies widely from one company to another. Therefore, the investor should select the promising and top companies according to the ranking. Only then, his/her investment can be worth full.
5. CAPM model provides a basis for the selection of individual stocks according to individual preference. It can be determined whether the stocks is underpriced or overpriced with comparison of ERR and RRR. If RRR is less than ERR, stock is said to be undervalued/underpriced and if ERR is less than RRR, stock is said to be overvalued/overpriced. So, it suggests to buy the undervalued/underpriced stock and to sell overvalued/overpriced stock.
6. According to CAPM model, investors are rewarded for bearing market risk. Therefore, he/she must care about it.

7. Regression results suggest that beta coefficient tend to have positive effect upon average return. It means when the beta increase, the riskiness of the firm also increase and vice versa. So, additional increase in beta will be rewarded by extra return.

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APPENDIX – I

**Table 4.16 Expected Return, Standard Deviation and Coefficient of Variation
of Different Industry**

1. Banking

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2003/04	-0.0740	-0.3776	0.142566
2004/05	0.0388	-0.2648	0.07013
2005/06	0.3133	0.0097	9.36E-05
2006/07	0.4361	0.1325	0.017553
2007/08	0.8039	0.5003	0.25035
Total	1.5181		0.480692

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{1.5181}{5} \\
 &= 0.3036
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.4806}{5-1}} \\
 &= 0.3466
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.3466}{0.3036} \\
 &= 1.142
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Finance

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2003/04	-0.2229	-0.3763	0.141616
2004/05	-0.1308	-0.2842	0.080794
2005/06	0.1711	0.0177	0.000312
2006/07	0.1444	-0.0090	0.000081
2007/08	0.8052	0.6518	0.424818
Total	0.7669		0.64762

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{0.7669}{5} \\
 &= 0.1533
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R})^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.6476}{5-1}} \\
 &= 0.4023
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.4023}{0.1533} \\
 &= 2.6247
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Insurance

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2003/04	0.234492	-0.03421	0.00117
2004/05	0.19883	-0.06987	0.004882
2005/06	0.347698	0.078998	0.006241
2006/07	0.190513	-0.07819	0.006113
2007/08	0.606452	0.337752	0.114077
Total	1.343493		0.132483

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{1.3439}{5} \\
 &= 0.2687
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.13248}{5-1}} \\
 &= 0.1819
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.1819}{0.2687} = 0.00006
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Hotel

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2003/04	-0.0916	-0.1352	0.018276
2004/05	-0.0624	-0.1060	0.011233
2005/06	-0.0348	-0.0784	0.00614
2006/07	0.0156	-0.0280	0.000786
2007/08	0.3911	0.3475	0.12076
Total	0.2179		0.157195

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{0.2179}{5} \\
 &= 0.0435
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.15719}{5-1}} \\
 &= 0.1982
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.1982}{0.0435} = 4.5487
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Trading

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2003/04	-0.0748	-0.1704	0.029021
2004/05	0.0048	-0.0908	0.008252
2005/06	0.2967	0.2011	0.040443
2006/07	0.2022	0.1066	0.011362
2007/08	0.0490	-0.0466	0.00217
Total	0.4779		0.091248

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{0.4779}{5} \\
 &= 0.0955
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.09124}{5-1}} \\
 &= 0.1510
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.1510}{0.09558} \\
 &= 1.580
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Other

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2003/04	-0.4756	-1.4063	1.977574
2004/05	2.5170	1.5863	2.516385
2005/06	1.4371	0.5064	0.256425
2006/07	0.1793	-0.7514	0.564531
2007/08	0.9954	0.0647	0.004188
Total	4.6533		5.319103

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{4.6533}{5} \\
 &= 0.9306
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{5.3191}{5-1}} \\
 &= 1.1531
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{1.1531}{0.9306} \\
 &= 1.239
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Market

FY	Rate of Return (R_t)	$R_t - \bar{R}$	$(R_t - \bar{R})^2$
2003/04	-0.2933	-0.6111	0.373383
2004/05	0.4236	0.1058	0.011187
2005/06	0.4531	0.1353	0.018297
2006/07	0.2420	-0.0758	0.005751
2007/08	0.7638	0.4460	0.19892
Total	1.589159		0.607538

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) Expected return } (\bar{R}) &= \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n R_t}{n} \\
 &= \frac{R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{1.58915}{5} \\
 &= 0.3178
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) Standard Deviation } (\sigma) &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - \bar{R}_t)^2}{n-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.607538}{5-1}} \\
 &= 0.3897
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) Coefficient of Variation (CV)} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{R}} \\
 &= \frac{0.3897}{0.3178} \\
 &= 1.2262
 \end{aligned}$$

APPENDIX – II

Details of Calculation of Beta Coefficient of Sample Companies

Calculation of Beta () of NLL

Fiscal Year	$R_N - \bar{R}_N$	$R_M - \bar{R}_M$	$(R_N - \bar{R}_N) (R_M - \bar{R}_M)$
2003/04	-0.4556	-0.3822	0.17413
2004/05	-0.0408	-0.1988	0.008111
2005/06	-0.1229	0.0084	-0.00103
2006/07	0.4187	0.0108	0.004522
2007/08	0.2006	0.5619	0.112717
$\Sigma(R_N - \bar{R}_N) (R_M - \bar{R}_M)$			0.298448

$$Cov (R_M, R_N) = \frac{\Sigma(R_N - \bar{R}_N)(R_M - \bar{R}_M)}{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{0.298448}{5-1} \quad 0.0746$$

$$\text{Beta ()} = \frac{Cov (R_N, R_M)}{\sigma^2_M}$$

$$= \frac{0.0746}{(0.3540)^2}$$

$$= 0.5952$$

Calculation of Beta () of JSM

Fiscal Year	$R_j - \bar{R}_j$	$R_M - \bar{R}_M$	$(R_j - \bar{R}_j) (R_M - \bar{R}_M)$
2003/04	-0.21658	-0.3822	0.0827769
2004/05	0.1111	-0.1988	-0.0220867
2005/06	0.1101	0.0084	0.0009248
2006/07	-0.1636	0.0108	-0.0017669
2007/08	0.2006	0.5619	0.1127171
$\Sigma(R_j - \bar{R}_j) (R_M - \bar{R}_M)$			0.1725653

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(R_J, R_M) &= \frac{\sum(R_J - \bar{R}_J)(R_M - \bar{R}_M)}{n-1} \\ &= \frac{0.172565}{5-1} = 0.0431 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Beta} () &= \frac{\text{Cov}(R_J, R_M)}{\sigma^2 M} \\ &= \frac{0.0431}{(0.3540)^2} \\ &= 0.3439 \end{aligned}$$

Calculation of Beta () of BNL

Fiscal Year	$R_B - \bar{R}_B$	$R_M - \bar{R}_M$	$(R_B - \bar{R}_B)(R_m - \bar{R}_m)$
2003/04	0.06642	-0.3822	-0.02539
2004/05	-0.1564	-0.1988	0.031092
2005/06	0.1983	0.0084	0.001666
2006/07	-0.1605	0.0108	-0.00173
2007/08	0.0521	0.5619	0.029275
$\sum(R_B - \bar{R}_B)(R_m - \bar{R}_m)$			0.034914

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(R_B, R_M) &= \frac{\sum(R_B - \bar{R}_B)(R_M - \bar{R}_M)}{n-1} \\ &= \frac{0.34914}{5-1} = 0.0872 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Beta} () &= \frac{\text{Cov}(R_B, R_M)}{\sigma^2 M} \\ &= \frac{0.07872}{(0.3540)^2} \\ &= 0.6958 \end{aligned}$$

Calculation of Beta () of AVUL

Fiscal Year	$R_A - \bar{R}_A$	$R_M - \bar{R}_M$	$(R_A - \bar{R}_A) (R_m - \bar{R}_m)$
2003/04	0.027526	-0.3822	-0.0105204
2004/05	0.0103	-0.1988	-0.0020476
2005/06	0.0451	0.0084	0.0003788
2006/07	0.0275	0.0108	0.000297
2007/08	-0.1104	0.5619	-0.0620338
$\Sigma(R_A - \bar{R}_A) (R_m - \bar{R}_m)$			-0.073926

$$Cov (R_A, R_M) = \frac{\Sigma(R_A - \bar{R}_A)(R_M - \bar{R}_M)}{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{-0.073926}{5-1} = -0.01848$$

$$\text{Beta ()} = \frac{Cov (R_A, R_M)}{\sigma^2 M}$$

$$= \frac{-0.01848}{(0.3540)^2}$$

$$= -0.1474$$

APPENDIX – III

**Regression Results as Average Return (AR) Depends on Beta Coefficients ()
& Market Capitalization (MC)**

S.N.	Companies	Dependent (AR)	Independent	
			Beta()	Market Capitalization (MC)
1	NLL	0.3593	0.5952	0.7170
2	JSM	-0.0788	0.3439	0.0079
3	BNL	-0.054	0.6958	0.2678
4	AVUL	-0.0275	-0.1474	0.0073

Calculation of simple regression

Beta (X)	AR (Y)	X ²	Y ²	XY
0.5952	0.3593	0.3543	0.1291	0.2139
0.3439	-0.079	0.1183	0.0062	-0.0271
0.6958	-0.054	0.4841	0.0029	-0.0376
-0.1474	-0.028	0.0217	0.0008	0.0041
X=1.4875	X ² =0.199	Y=0.9784	Y ² =0.1390	XY=0.1532

According to principle of least square two normal equations for estimating two numerical constants a and b are given by

$$Y = na + bx \quad \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$XY = a \sum X + b \sum X^2 \quad \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

From the above calculation we find,

Regression Coefficient of beta (b) = 0.1862

Intercept (a) = 0.0195

Coefficient of determination ® = 0.3381

(R²) = 0.1143

Calculation of multiple regressions

X₁ (AR)	X₂ (Beta)	X₃ (MC)	X₁²	X₂²	X₃²	X₁X₂	X₁X₃	X₂X₃
0.3593	0.5952	0.7170	0.1290	0.3543	0.5140	0.2139	0.2576	0.4267
-0.0788	0.3439	0.0079	0.0063	0.1183	0.0006	-0.0271	-0.0006	0.0027
-0.054	0.6958	0.2678	0.0029	0.4841	0.0717	-0.0376	-0.0014	0.1863
-0.0275	-0.1474	0.0073	0.0007	0.0217	0.00005	0.0041	-0.0002	-0.0010
X ₁ = 0.199	X ₂ =1.4875	X ₃ =1	X ₁ ² =0.1389	X ₂ ² =0.9784	X ₃ ² =0.5859	X ₁ X ₂ =0.1532	X ₁ X ₃ =-0.2553	X ₂ X ₃ =0.6147

The multiple regression equation of dependent variable AR (X1) on two independent variables (X2) and MC (X3) is given by

$$X_1 = a_1 + b_1 X_2 + b_2 X_3$$

$$X_1 X_2 = a_1 X_2 + b_1 X_2^2 + b_2 X_2 X_3$$

$$X_1 X_3 = a_1 X_3 + b_1 X_2 X_3 + b_2 X_3^2$$

From the above calculation we find,

Regression Coefficient of beta (b1) = 0.2779

Regression Coefficient of market capitalization (b2) = 0.8128

Intercept (a) = 0.0501