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Introduction to accounting

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"There's no business like show business, but there are several businesses like accounting." <u>Introduction:</u>

Accounting has greater discipline than book keeping. It includes conceptual knowledge of the subject and applications also.

BOOK KEEPING:-It involves journal, ledger, cash book and other subsidiary books, it cannot disclose the results of Business.

Meaning of Accounting:-It is process of identifying, measuring, recording and communicating the financial information.

Difference between Bookkeeping and accountancy:

Book keeping does not show the net result and accountancy shows net result of the business.

Economic Events:-

All events which can be measured in monetary Terms are known as Economic events. (Salary paid to employees, Goods purchased from creditors, cash withdrew from bank)

CHANGING ROLE OF ACCOUNTANCY

- 1. As a language to communicate information an enterprises.
- 2. To provide valuable information for judging management ability.
- 3. To provide quantitative information this is useful in economic decision.

Process of accounting

1. Identification of the economic events. (Selection of important event)

- 2. Classification of the business transaction (Assets, liability, expenses, income).
- 3. Measurement in terms (Monetary value transaction.),
- 4. Recording of business transactions (As per accounting principal)
- 5. Summarizing the business transaction (Journal, ledger, trial balance and Balance sheet.)
- 6. Analysis and interpreting the business transactions. (Various reports, ratio etc.)
- 7. Communication (provide information to internal and external users.)

Users of financial statements:

- 1. Internal users :- (Owners, shareholders, investors, creditors, employees, customers, management.)
- 2 External users: (Regulatory agencies, labor union, stock exchange, public and others)

BRANCHES OF ACCOUNTING

- 1. Financial accounting (Book Keeping + preparation of financial statement).
- 2. Cost accounting (Determines the unit cost at different level of production).
- 3. Management accounting (It blends financial and cost accounting to get maximum profit at maximum cost).
- 4. Tax accounting (Sales tax and income tax).
- 5. Social responsibility (Focus on social benefits)

Objectives of Accounting

- 1. Provides information in systematic way.
- 2. Enables to get profit or loss of business during certain profit.
- 3. Shows the actual position of the business.

BASIC ACCOUNTING TERMS

- 1. Entity:- It means existence of an individual which includes two things 1. Business entity
- 2. Non business entity.
- 2. Transactions: Exchange of goods and services for consideration.
- 3.Assets:- These are properties or economic resources of an enterprises which can be expressed in monetary terms it can be divided in two parts 1.Fixed assets(more than 1 year period) 2. Current assets(less than 1 year period)
- 4. Liabilities:-These are certain obligations or dues which firm has to pay.
- 5. Capital: It is an essential investment for commencement of every business.
- 6. Sales: It can be credit or cash, in which goods are delivered to customers.
- 7. Revenues:-It is the amount which is earned by selling of products.
- 8. Expenses:-It is known as cost of assets consumed or services which used.
- 9. Expenditure:-It means spending money for some benefit.
- 10. Profit: Excess of revenues over expenses is called profit.
- 11. Gain: It generates from incidental transaction such as sales of fixed asset, winning of court case.
- 12. Loss: Excess of expenses over income is termed as loss.

- 13. Discount:-It is defined as concession or deduction in price of goods sold.
- 14. Voucher:-It is known as evidence in support of a transaction.
- 15. Goods: It refers all the tangible goods (Raw material, work in progress, finished goods.)
- 16. Drawings: Amount of goods or cash which is withdrawn from business for personal use.
- 17. Purchases: It means of procurement of goods on credit or cash.
- 18. Stock: It is a part of unsold goods. It can be divided into two categories.
 - 1. Opening stock
 - 2. Closing stock.
- 19 Debtors: There are persons who owe to an enterprise an amount for buying goods and services on credit.
- 20. Creditors: These are persons who have to be paid by an enterprise an amount for providing the enterprise goods and services on credit.

Questions:

- 1. Write any two users of financial statements.
 - ANS: 1.Public
- 2.Regulatory agencies
- 2. Write any one advantage of accounting.
 - ANS: Provide information in systematic order
- 3. Write any one example of voucher.
 - ANS: cash memo
- 4. Write any two examples of current assets.

Ans. 1.Stock 2.Debtor
