Preface

The security market has witnessed a remarkable growth and noticeable structural changes as a result of healthy environment for investment and positive policy measures during the preceding four decades. The investment in industrial securities is no longer the monopoly of any particular investing class or of a small group of people. It attracts the interest of a large number of small and middle class individuals regardless of occupations or background. In the changing scenario, the industrial securities should be the focus of investment to enable the masses for harnessing the prosperity and faster economic growth of a country.

Undoubtedly, the security market in India is emerging as one of the most important markets of Developing World's in terms of market capitalisation, public offerings of equity and size of investing population but the shareholders base in India is still small considering the vast geographical area and population of the country. The mobilisation of the savings of the small investors for investment in the securities of companies and the broader spread of shareownership are factors which in the coming years are likely to exert a significant influence on the New Issue Market and Stock Market in India.

In view of the faster development of security market, the present study has been undertaken with the main objective of a comprehensive review of security market and to suggest more appropriate remedies for its smooth and healthy functioning and achieve desired accelerated development and economic growth of the country.
The present study has been divided in seven chapters. The first chapter is introductory in nature. It explains the development of capital market in India, security market, instruments of security market and legal environment and security market in India. In chapter two, the review of literature and plan of the study has been presented. It explains pre and post independence review of security market, need of the study, scope and objectives of the study, method of investigations and limitations of the study. The third chapter evaluates the present position of the New Issue Market based on domestic savings and share of capital raised, classification of capital issues, consents for capital issue and raised, project cost and financing pattern etc. The chapter four presents analysis of underwriting and cost of issue expenses. It consists of underwriting activities by All India Financial Institutions, pattern of absorption of private capital issues, cost of issue expenses of companies. In chapter five, a contemporary account of stock market in India has been presented which is based on growth pattern of listed stocks and companies, gilt-edged securities, paid up value and market value of listed stocks, frequency of dealings and turnover statistics etc. In chapter six, a detailed analytical and critical assessment of organisation, memberships and trading mechanism has been presented. In chapter seven, conclusions and suggestions of the study have been given.
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