PREFACE

Mutual funds strike the attention towards the trends in their growth and performance, when I regularly found the articles in the renowned NEWS PAPERS showing the growth of the industry and also the expert’s suggestion over this issue. I went through some of the investors whose first preference was to invest in mutual-funds to get higher returns in the stating years of the millennium. Further I realized that household sector’s savings are contributing more in terms of savings than that of other sectors, this may a huge source of funds to the starving capital markets of India. Mutual funds can resort these unproductive of less productive funds towards the financial system of the country.

Increasing size of participants in the industry from the sides, asset management companies as well as investors is an evidence of popularity of the sector, conservative investors believe in safety of their money and the same purpose is said to be served in this concept of mutual funds. I have tried my bit to trace out the performance of the industry. The purpose of the present study is to depict the statute of the industry, so that it may be helpful to draw inferences, for the policymakers.

The first chapter is drawn to fulfill the first objective of the research “to highlight the conceptual and structural framework of mutual funds industry of India”. Its origin on the globe and in India along with SEBI and AMFI and the all-pros and cons are discussed in this chapter.

In chapter-2 research methodology has been explained with all the objectives, literature reviewed and all other necessary parts of research methodology. Chapter-3 explains the whole profile of sample used in the study for making the study understandable for the readers.

Chapter-4 deals with the objective of the study to study the growth pattern of various mutual funds over a period of time with the help of different growth models and techniques. All the presentations are depicted through simple tables and graphs, explaining the whole scenario clearly. Similarly Chapter-5 comprises the achievement of objective of the study to study the relationship between parameters of the various mutual funds. Correlation-matrix is found to be most popular tool to chase the objective.

Chapter-6 pursues the objective of “to study the gap-pattern in private and public sector mutual funds over the period of time”. A new parameter is tried in that chapter to find out the objective. Chapter-7 is set to attain the objective of “to study the
efficiency of the trend-models for the forecasting of different parameters. Chapter-8 comprises of the summary of salient findings giving a brief of the whole study. Chapter-9 throws light on some suggestions in the form of recommendations. I have tried my level best to carry on the all explorations appropriately, but there are always chances of improvements everywhere, I wish my research to be helpful to the readers.

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