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Title of the Event	Seminar on Financial Risk Management: “Navigating Uncertainty: Foundations of Financial Risk Management”		
Date of the Event	9th January 2025	Place of the event	St. Vincent College, Pune
Objectives of the Event	The seminar “Navigating Uncertainty: Foundations of Financial Risk Management,” held on 9th January 2025 in collaboration with Sambhav Foundation, aimed to introduce students to core concepts, tools, and ethical considerations in financial risk management, while aligning academic learning with industry expectations and regulatory frameworks.		
Name/s of the Resource Persons	_____		
A short narration of the program			
Seminar on Financial Risk Management: “Navigating Uncertainty: Foundations of Financial Risk Management” On 9th January 2025, St. Vincent College, Pune, in strategic collaboration with Sambhav Foundation, organized a highly specialized and academically rigorous seminar titled “Navigating Uncertainty: Foundations of Financial Risk Management.” Designed primarily for undergraduate and postgraduate students of Commerce and Management streams, the seminar aimed to deepen understanding of one of the most critical domains in modern finance—risk identification, assessment, and mitigation—while reinforcing the institution’s commitment to industry-aligned, value-added education in accordance with national quality assurance standards. The event was held in the college’s smart auditorium and witnessed active participation from students of B.Com, M.Com, and BA programmes. The seminar was inaugurated by Dr. Anil Adsule, Principal of St. Vincent College, who emphasized the growing relevance of risk literacy in an era marked by economic volatility, regulatory complexity, and global financial interdependence. He underscored that equipping students with foundational knowledge of financial risk management is not only academically enriching but also essential for ethical and responsible participation in the financial ecosystem. The core session was delivered by a senior expert from Sambhav Foundation, an organization recognized for its work in promoting financial awareness and professional skill development among youth. The speaker			



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began by contextualizing financial risk within real-world scenarios—citing examples such as market crashes, credit defaults, liquidity crunches, and operational failures—to illustrate how unmanaged risk can destabilize institutions and economies. The presentation was structured around four key pillars: market risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, and operational risk, with clear definitions, illustrative case studies, and practical mitigation strategies for each.

Students were introduced to fundamental risk management tools and frameworks, including Value at Risk (VaR), stress testing, scenario analysis, diversification, hedging using derivatives (futures and options), and internal control systems. Emphasis was placed on the ethical dimensions of risk management, particularly the role of transparency, accountability, and regulatory compliance in preventing systemic crises. The speaker also highlighted the relevance of Basel III norms, SEBI guidelines, and RBI directives in shaping institutional risk practices in the Indian context.

A dedicated segment explored career pathways in risk management, including roles such as Risk Analyst, Credit Risk Manager, Treasury Risk Specialist, Internal Auditor, and Compliance Officer—fields increasingly in demand across banks, NBFCs, insurance firms, and corporate finance departments. The speaker clarified that while technical proficiency is vital, critical thinking, communication, and ethical judgment are equally valued by employers.

The interactive Q&A session allowed students to engage with nuanced questions—ranging from “How do small businesses manage financial risk?” to “What certifications (e.g., FRM, PRM) are recommended for specialization?”—demonstrating their growing curiosity and analytical engagement. The speaker encouraged students to begin with foundational learning through free online modules, case studies, and college-led workshops, while remaining attuned to current economic developments.

The seminar concluded with closing remarks by Fr. Dr. Kenneth Misquitta, S.J., Director of the college, who linked the theme of risk management to broader moral and social responsibilities. He reminded students that financial decisions have human consequences and that true professionalism lies in using technical knowledge to protect stakeholders, promote stability, and serve the common good—principles deeply aligned with the college’s Vincentian and Ignatian ethos.



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This seminar exemplifies St. Vincent College's proactive integration of emerging professional competencies into the academic curriculum through meaningful external partnerships. By demystifying a complex yet vital domain like financial risk management, the institution has empowered students to think beyond textbooks and engage with the real-world challenges of the financial sector. The collaboration with Sambhav Foundation further strengthens the college's ecosystem of experiential learning, ethical awareness, and career readiness—all central to the vision of quality higher education under national accreditation frameworks.

Through this intellectually enriching and professionally relevant initiative, St. Vincent College reaffirms its role as a forward-looking institution that prepares students not only to succeed in their careers but to contribute responsibly to a resilient and just financial future.

Name of the Collaborating Agency	Sambhav Foundation
Learning Outcomes of the Event for the Participants	Students gained a structured understanding of market, credit, liquidity, and operational risks, along with practical mitigation strategies and career pathways in risk management. They also developed awareness of the ethical responsibilities and regulatory standards that underpin sound financial decision-making.
Learning Outcomes for the Organizing team	The organizing team enhanced its ability to design domain-specific, industry-relevant academic events through external partnerships. They also strengthened their capacity to integrate professional competencies—such as risk literacy and regulatory awareness—into the undergraduate and postgraduate curriculum in a meaningful and engaging manner.
No. of Participants	Undergraduate Students of St. Vincent College
Faculty in Charge	Dr. Radhakrushna Thange
Documents Attached	1. Attendance Sheet 2. Geotag photographs 3. Resume of resource persons if any 4. Copy of remuneration paid if any 5. Notice of the event 6. Thank you letter to the resource persons