

National Institute of Securities Markets

Press Release

Launch of Certified BFSI Professional Course

On October 8, 2021

The Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance (BFSI) Sector is poised to grow and create additional employment of over 1.6 million during 2013-2022 as per a report of National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC). With a view to provide a robust pipeline of 'ready to be employed manpower' to the financial services sector which includes Securities Markets, Banking and Insurance, three specialist institutions of repute in the BFSI Sector viz. National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM), Indian Institute of Banking and Finance (IIBF), and National Insurance Academy (NIA) have come together to create a one of its kind course in BFSI Domain namely, Certified BFSI Professional course.

This is a 187 hours self-paced eLearning course supported with reference text material (in soft form) and contact classes which is designed to help participants to complete the course in about 9 months' time. This is an ideal program for students pursuing any graduation program to get ready to employed in financial services sector. As the course gives basics of securities markets, banking and insurance, employers from these three sectors can easily recruit candidates who have completed this course.

The BFSI Course is formally inaugurated on Oct 08, 2021 in the presence of Dr. Usha Titus (Chairperson and Managing Director, ASAP -Government of Kerala), Dr. CKG Nair (Director, NISM), Mr. Biswaketan Das (CEO, Indian Institute of Banking and Finance) and Mr. G. Srinivasan (Director, National Insurance Academy). All the dignitaries welcomed the initiative and partnership forged between three institute of eminence to create a unique and first of its kind programme to cater to the needs of BFSI sector.

Dr. CKG Nair (Director, NISM) inaugurated the program and delivered the inaugural address. In his address, he welcomed the collaborative approach among institutions for creating this unique program which is the need of the hour for of BFSI sector. He said such collaborative approach amongst specialist institutions will help building required manpower in this world of growing integration amongst various sectors due to technological integrations and customer expectations.

Mr. Biswa Ketan Das (CEO – IIBF) in his special address hailed the initiative and shared his pleasure and satisfaction over the design, development and collaboration of academic and capacity building institutions in Securities Markets, banking and insurance in these times of galvanisation of the entire BFSI sector catalysed by an information explosion and digital revolution.

Mr. G Srinivasan (Director – NIA) delivered a special address wherein he welcomed the initiative and stressed upon the importance of emerging needs of BFSI sector and the challenges present before academia to bridge the skill gap among the people working in this sector.

Dr. S. Muralidharan (Director – Academics, IIBF) explained the detailed course content along with pedagogy of the course.

The course has been designed at the instance of ASAP (Additional Skill Acquisition Programme), an initiative of Govt. of Kerala and will be made available only for the students studying in the State of Kerala for the first two months after this launch. After that, the course will be opened to the whole country.