



## Faculty Of Management studies- 10<sup>th</sup> January 2010

This year, too, the FMS paper had four sections but the numbers of questions were increased to 200 as compared to 175 questions that appeared in the year 2009. However, in essence the paper looked very similar to that of the last year in terms of the type of questions.

A few questions in the Quantitative section were little tricky but most of the questions were based on basic knowledge/concepts. Almost 75% of the questions in the section were based on Arithmetic and Algebra. There were almost no questions based on Number system and Permutation/combination/Probability.

AR and DI sections had mix of easy- moderate questions. This was the sections, which could be very scoring.

One the passage in the reading comprehension section was of 5 pages containing 24 questions, in total one needed to read a total of 14 pages to attempt 50 questions, though the questions were direct, and with right strategy of skimming and scanning one could do quite decently in the section.

EU section was very typical to FMS, which checked in-depth knowledge of Vocabulary. A few questions were based the on the origin of the words, a few other were based on synonyms, antonyms and typical usage questions. Questions based on the antonyms were the easiest of the lot.

One icing on the cake was that the number of questions with error or with ambiguity were very less as compared to the previous year papers.

**Total Time: 120 minutes, No. of Questions: 200, Total No. Of Sections : 4, Correct Question: + 4 Marks Incorrect Question= - 1 Marks.**

**Following is the summary of Possible attempts and cut offs of FMS-2010:**

Section	Topics	Number of Questions	Possible Good Attempts	Suggested Time	Cut off Marks	Good Score
3	Reading Comprehension	50	14+	20 minutes	18-19	44+
2	Analytical Reasoning+ Data Interpretation	50	25+	35 minutes	48-50	84+
3	English Usage	50	30	35 minutes	32-34	76+
4	Quantitative Aptitude	50	18-20	30 minutes	35-36	66+
	<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>89+</b>	<b>120 minutes</b>		<b>270+</b>

**Reading Comprehension:**

S. No	Topic	Area	No of questions	Difficulty Level	Comments
1	Business Strategy	Management	24	Easy-Moderate	The passage was of approximately of 5 pages but the questions were fact based and arranged sequentially as per the paragraph
2	Discourse on Philosophy	Philosophy	6	Moderate-Difficult	Passage was of 2.5 pages, required one to read it thoroughly in order to answer the questions
3	FDI	Economics	7	Easy-Moderate	Passage was of length 3.5 pages; questions were direct and could be answered through skimming and Scanning.
4	Change	Management	13	Moderate	Passage was of length 3.5 pages questions could be solved by elimination of choices.
	Total		50		

**Analytical Reasoning +Data Interpretation**

S. No	Topic	No of questions	Difficulty Level
1	Blood-Relations	7	Easy-Moderate
2	AR	21 (7sets)	Moderate
3	Coding/Arrangement of Alphabets	13(3 sets +2 individual)	Easy-Moderate
4	Data Interpretation (Tables)	6	Moderate-Difficult
5	Directions	1	Easy
6	Jumbled words	2	Difficult
	Total	50	



**English Usage:**

S No.	Topic	No of questions	Difficulty level
1	Analogies	4	Moderate-difficult
2	Synonyms	10	Moderate-difficult
3	Antonyms	10	Easy-Moderate
4	Origin of words	2	Difficult
5	Classification of words	3	Moderate-Difficult
6	Sentence correction	10	Moderate-difficult
7	Sentence Completion (3 Blanks)	2	Difficult
8	Spelling Check	1	Easy
9	Idioms/proverbs	4	Difficult
10	Pure Vocab based+ Gk type	4	Moderate

**Quantitative Section:**

S No.	Topic	No of questions	Difficulty Level
1	Numbers	1	Easy
2	Arithmetic	16	Easy-Moderate
3	Algebra+ Graphs/ Logs+ equations	22	Easy-Moderate
4	Geometry	3	Easy-Moderate
5	Co-ordinate Geometry + Higher Maths+ Miscellaneous	8	Easy-Moderate
	Total	50	

**Disclaimer:** All information on cut-offs, analysis, answer key, solutions and scores are based on independent analysis and evaluation made by Career Launcher. We do not take responsibility for any decision that might be taken, based on this information.



**Details about FMS-2009 and cut offs:**

In FMS 2009, the total number of questions was 175. The paper was divided into four sections namely, Quantitative Ability (49 questions), Logical Reasoning (49 questions), Reading Comprehension (35 questions) and English Usage (42 questions). The cut-off for each section was 50 percentile. This cut-off is translated as follows:

Serial No.	Topic	Cut - off	Highest Score in the respective section
1.	Quantitative Ability	34 (Around 9 questions)	131 (Around 32-33 questions)
2.	Reasoning	41 (Around 10 questions)	134 (Around 33-34 questions)
3.	Reading Comprehension	15 (Around 4 questions)	90 (Around 23-24 questions)
4.	English Usage	27 (Around 7 questions)	109 (Around 27-28 Questions)

The cut-off for MBA (Full time program) was 230 (98.256 %ile) and for MBA (MS program) was 235. The topper achieved a score of 335. A score of 303 translated into a percentile of 99.977.