

# **Basics of stock market**

#### Introduction to Stock Market

- ✓ What is a stock?
- ✓ Why do companies issue shares?
- ✓ What is the stock market & how it functions?
- ✓ History and evolution of Indian stock markets

#### Key Market Participants

- ✓ Investors vs Traders
- ✓ Stock Exchanges: NSE, BSE
- ✓ SEBI Role and importance
- ✓ Depositories: NSDL & CDSL
- ✓ Brokers & Demat Accounts

#### Market Instruments

- ✓ Equity shares
- ✓ Derivatives (Futures & Options Intro only)
- ✓ Bonds & Debentures
- ✓ Mutual Funds
- ✓ IPOs (Initial Public Offerings)

#### Understanding Stock Prices

- ✓ What drives stock prices?
- ✓ Supply and Demand
- ✓ Market sentiments and news impact
- ✓ Bid, Ask, and Spread

#### Order Types & Trade Execution

- ✓ Types of Orders (Market, Limit, Stop Loss)
- ✓ Types of Trades (Intraday, Delivery, Margin)
- ✓ Basic understanding of Trading Platforms
- ✓ How to place a trade in a live terminal

#### Stock Market Indices

- ✓ Nifty 50, Sensex what they represent
- ✓ Sectoral Indices
- ✓ Global indices correlation

#### Basic Terminology

- ✓ Bull & Bear Market
- ✓ Volume, Volatility, Liquidity
- ✓ Circuit limits
- ✓ Dividend, Bonus, Stock Split, Rights Issue

#### Myths vs Reality

- ✓ Debunking common myths (e.g., stock market is gambling)
- ✓ Realistic return expectations
- ✓ Discipline and psychology in trading/investing

# **Technical Analysis**

#### Introduction to Technical Analysis

- ✓ What is Technical Analysis?
- ✓ Difference between Technical and Fundamental Analysis
- ✓ Assumptions of Technical Analysis (Price discounts everything, History repeats, Price moves in trends)

#### Basics of Price Action

- ✓ Candlestick Charting (Types of charts: Line, Bar, Candlestick)
- ✓ Understanding OHLC (Open, High, Low, Close)
- ✓ Types of trends: Uptrend, Downtrend, Sideways
- ✓ Support and Resistance Identification and Importance

# Candlestick Patterns

- ✓ Single Candle: Doji, Hammer, Shooting Star, Marubozu
- ✓ Double Candle: Bullish/Bearish Engulfing, Piercing Pattern, Dark Cloud Cover
- ✓ Triple Candle: Morning Star, Evening Star, Three White Soldiers, Three Black Crows
- ✓ Psychology behind each pattern

# Chart Patterns (Classical Technical Patterns)

- ✓ Reversal Patterns: Head & Shoulders, Double Top/Bottom
- ✓ Continuation Patterns: Flags, Pennants, Triangles (Symmetrical, Ascending, Descending), Cup & Handle
- ✓ Breakouts and breakdowns Confirmation techniques

#### Trend Analysis Tools

- ✓ Trendlines drawing and interpretation
- ✓ Channels parallel trend lines
- ✓ Fibonacci Retracement Key levels and use in support/resistance

#### Major theories in Technical Analysis

- 1. Dow Theory (The Foundation of Technical Analysis) Key Principles:
  - √ The market discounts everything
  - ✓ Three trends exist simultaneously:
    - Primary (long-term)
    - Secondary (corrections)
    - Minor (daily fluctuations)

#### √ Three phases of market trends:

- Accumulation → Public Participation → Distribution
- ✓ Volume confirms the trend
- ✓ Trends continue until reversal signals appear

# 2. Elliott Wave Theory

#### Core Concepts:

- √ 5-wave pattern in trending phase (Impulse waves)
- √ 3-wave pattern in correction phase (ABC Correction)
- ✓ Fractals: Waves exist within waves

#### 3. Fibonacci Theory

Based on the Fibonacci sequence and golden ratio (61.8%, 38.2%, 23.6%). **Applications:** 

- ✓ Fibonacci Retracement: Identify support/resistance levels during corrections
- ✓ Fibonacci Extensions: Predict price targets
- ✓ Fibonacci Fans and Arcs (less common)

#### Technical Indicators & Oscillators

- ✓ RSI (Relative Strength Index) Overbought/Oversold zones
- ✓ MACD (Moving Average Convergence Divergence)
- ✓ Bollinger Bands
- ✓ ATR (Average True Range)
- ✓ Moving Averages (SMA, EMA) Golden Cross & Death Cross
- ✓ ADX (Average Directional Index)
- ✓ Supertrend
- ✓ Exponential Moving Average (EMA)
- ✓ Williams Fractals
- ✓ Williams Alligator
- ✓ Pivot Points

## Volume Analysis

- ✓ Importance of Volume in confirmation
- ✓ Volume & Price relationship
- ✓ OBV (On-Balance Volume)
- ✓ Accumulation/Distribution Indicator

#### ■ Time Frame Selection

- ✓ Intraday vs Swing vs Positional Charting
- ✓ Multi-time frame analysis
- ✓ Which indicators suit which timeframes

## Entry, Exit & Stop Loss Strategies

- ✓ How to define entry points using patterns or indicators
- ✓ Stop-loss placement techniques
- ✓ Risk-to-reward ratio understanding
- ✓ Position sizing basics

#### Backtesting & Trading Psychology

- ✓ Importance of backtesting
- ✓ Building a trading journal
- ✓ Avoiding overtrading
- ✓ Handling emotions in trading (Fear, Greed, Impatience)

# Building a Trading System

- ✓ Combining 2–3 indicators or tools
- ✓ Creating a rule-based system