# A Study On The Analysis Of Legal And Economic Factors Affecting Capital Structure In India And Pakistan

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#### ABSTRACT

The research is an effort to decide the factors that affect a companies' selection of capital structure in India and Pakistan. The objective is to examine if India's economic factors participate an important role in deciding capital structure. Literature review shows that substantial research has been done. Capital structure is one of the most difficult areas of considered monetary decision building because of its interrelationship with legal and economic variables. The research shows that Gross National product for India is considerably related to capital structure of company and superior economic growth tends to reason to utilize more long term debt. The study for Pakistan is different from India. It explains that inefficiencies attached with soaring leverage might entrap Pakistani companies in debt catch. The marker of PLR is the most important feature stirring demand for credit. It is apparent from the study that economic liberalization shows key support in the growth of capital structure and by and large corporate world in two countries.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Capital structure is a blend of firms' long-term debt, definite short-term debt, ordinary equity and favored equity. The capital structure is how a company invests its general operations and development by utilizing various alternatives of funds. Debt arrives in the structure of bond issues or long-term notes payable, whilst equity is defined as ordinary stock, favored stock or preserved earnings. Short-term debt like working capital requirements is defined to be component of the capital structure. A firms' section of short term and long-term debt is defined while examining capital structure. When someone relates to capital structure they are in all probability mentioning to a company's debt to equity ratio, which shows insight into how uncertain a firm is. Generally a firm more greatly funded by debt facade greater risk,

as that company is relatively highly levered.

A company's capital structure can be generally defined into debt and equity. Actually interest payments on debt are tax deductible; whilst dividends, a allocation to shareholders, are not tax deductible. The survival of such a tax sanctuary for interest might lead companies to use highest amount of debt.

Brigham and Ehrhardt (2001:650) showed that large differences in capital structure stay alive in various sectors and in individual companies within various sectors. Capital structure differences happen within a given company over time. The percentage of debt in a company's capital structure differs broadly across in fact similar companies. The growth of capital market affects on capital structure. The economic growth of the country depends on capital structure decision Rajan and Zingale (1995). Thus from the macroeconomic understanding, the debt ratio of the company is the task of economic growth rate, capital market development, and advantage of tax.

PLR is the most critical cause, since it is normally utilized in the banking sector for short-term interest rate. Each lending firm utilizes the prime rate as an index or base rate in choosing price of different short-term loans products. It is apparent from the result that economic liberalization shows major part in the growth of capital structure and in general corporate world. Corporate world investment in India has established that from 1972-2009, rational dynamics still take part in most important role in deciding company investment. Company investment relies majorly on output and profits than economic and legal variables; despite that it is clear from affirmative coefficient that liberalization formed a positive environment of investment. "Only index of internal monetary liberalization mentions sturdy relationship with company investment. Index of money market liberalization also mentions affirmative impact though the significance is weak at 12 %. Extreme liberalization prior to the achievement of complete internal liberalization may have negatively impact on the advantages of global monetary liberalization which in order will impact investment" The classification of factors influencing a company's option of capital structure is a subject of debate. Myers (1977) mentioned on the difficulty by showing the survival of a significant breach in monetary model with regard to the issue of company debt policy. He also showed that the model does not mention why tax savings produced by debt do not direct companies to have a loan of to the utmost probable border or why companies finance with devices of extensively diverse development. Though, Prasad and Murinde (2001) showed that an especially modest is identified about firm

financing result in growing countries. Rajan and Zingales (1995) mentioned the higher the firm's dependence on outside finance, in the early phase of growth it be likely to be in moderately superior require of exterior funding. Beck (2003) have established that the stage of growth of the financial industry affects companies' and countries' industrial field and gives a proportional benefit to the firms that are extra in require of outside funding.

Country's trade and industry growth may be showed by a number of indicators. Growth in per capita is an indicator of trade and industry actions. Interest rate is elected as it might influence the demand for credit. The replica variables are chosen from the World Development Report (WDR 2003) to confine the precise economic liberalization happening and country's law and order state.

Many opinions carry the use of economic variables as analyst of the output breach and Gross National Product growth. First, events of the majority fiscal variables are moderately precise and they are not focus to important adjustments. Second, financial variables might be important factor of growth in the real financial system.

Kloster and Johansen (2006) states that a rock-hard evaluation of both the present trade and industry situation and growth in fresh age is important to construction resonance outcrop for trade and industry developments over a longer age. A short-term study is pedestal primarily on present figures and other data to project Gross National Product growth in the after that few quarters.

The current research is planned to inspect the extent to which a company's monetary and working features decide its capital structure in Asia. The impact of macro-economic factors on capital structure is observed in this research study. The study is separated into six parts. Part two mentions goals of the research. Process and investigation of data is mentioned in Part three followed by practical examination in Part four. Results and earlier literature is shown in Part five followed by final explanation in Part six.

## 2. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

Present research is an effort to decide the parts that influence a company's option of capital structure in two countries named India and Pakistan. These countries are selected with the aim of symbolize two different stages of trade and industry growth. One can theorize that capital market expands in partnership with universal trade and

industry growth. As capital market grows, companies are likely to utilize additional debt financing as verification from different other researches like, Rajan and Zingales (1995).

The specific objective is as follows:

To examine if country's trade and industry dynamics take part in a important role in deciding capital structure between markets.

## 2.1. Research Hypothesis

The fact is that no other proposition in country's economic progress has acknowledged as much research concentration as the financial finances proposition. A huge fraction of the accountability of economic growth has been changed on corporate industry from the governmental groups. Any wrong decision concerning financial examples in corporate industry might be a reason of important twist in the society during instability in the share markets and allocation of income.

The impact of the dynamics namely growth in GNP, PLR, economic liberalization, effectiveness of economic markets, creditors rights and evaluation of law and order have been known petite concentration and are being experienced in the study.

The proposition is considered to check if the country's financial performance affects the capital structure of firm. The hypothesis is stated as:

H0: Every economic and legal factor has an effect on the capital structure of firm. The macroeconomic factors recognized as descriptive variable are GNP, PLR, monetary Liberalization, Effectiveness of monetary Markets, Creditor's privileges and Enforcement.

Leverage ratios are designed as dependent variables like Debt to equity ratio, Total debt to total assets ratio and Long-term debt to total capitalization ratio.

## 3. DATA ANALYSIS

Regression structures employ legal and economic variables are utilized to clarify the capital structure of companies. The analysis of regression utilized cross-sectional data from 2005 to 2014. The average is used for each year of the data for 75 Indian companies and 75 Pakistani companies and cross-sectional data is used for regression. The data was taken from various sections.

The research proposition utilizes 6 measures of country's trade and industry growth listed above. The subsequent four actions are characterized by replica variables; whilst two replica variables those are selected from the World Development Report. The replica variables are Creditors' rights, Efficiency of financial markets and Enforcement. The other measures are GNP and PLR.

### 4. RESEARCH FINDINGS

The results of the study are specified below:

## 4.1 Debt to Equity Ratio - Regression analysis

Table-1 illustrates the outcome of regression analysis of debt to equity ratio. The adjusted  $R^2$  has a value 0.94, which shows that approximately 94 % of the changeability in the debt to equity ratio is elucidated by the country's legal and trade and industry development factors which is F-statistic = 91.7992. A Durbin-Watson statistic of 1.58 shows the nonexistence of first-order autocorrelation. The t-statistic parallel to these factors show that: (1) economic liberalization's with a coefficient of 0.64 is a important affirmative financial factor, (2) effectiveness of monetary markets with a coefficient of 0.0304, is a important affirmative economic factor, and (3) creditors' rights with a coefficient of -1.5016, is a important inverse financial factor of debt to equity ratio. The financial factor implement, with a coefficient of -2.1809, appeared important, but with an inverse sign.

### Table 1:

Regression analysis

Variable	Coefficient	t-statistic
Constant	4.18	25.31
Growth in GNP	0.17	0.54
PLR	-0.03	-0.67
Monetary Liberalization	0.64	3.99**
Effectiveness of monetary Markets	0.04	2.21*
Creditor's privileges	-1.51	-10.61**

Enforcement		-2.19	-17.69
Degree of Freedom	30		
R <sup>2</sup>	0.96		
Adjusted R <sup>2</sup>	0.94		
Durbin-Watson statistic	1.58		
F-statistic	91.80		

\*Significant at least at 5% level critical value 2.05

\*\*Significant at least at 1% level critical value 2.76

## 4.2 Long-term Debt to Total Capitalization Ratio - Regression analysis

Table 2 mentions the outcome of regression analysis of long-term debt to total capitalization ratio. The adjusted  $R^2$  has a value 0.96, which shows that roughly 96 %

of the variation in the long-term debt to total capitalization ratio is explicated by the country's financial and legal factors F-statistic is 138.262. A Durbin-Watson statistic of 1.74 shows the nonexistence of first- order autocorrelation. The t-statistic resultant to these factors shows that: (1) monetary liberalization's with a coefficient of 0.083 is an important affirmative economic and legal determinant, (2) Efficiency of financial markets with a coefficient of 0.072, is a important affirmative financial determinant, and (3) creditors' privileges with a coefficient of -0.23, is a important inverse economic determinant of long-term debt to total capitalization ratio. The financial factor implement, with a coefficient of -0.22 shown important but with an inverse sign.

### Table 2:

### **Regression Results**

Variable	Coefficient	t-statistic
Constant	0.50	30.77
Growth in GNP	0.009	0.29
PLR	-0.0010	-0.003

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Monetary Liberalization		0.083	5.37**
Effectiveness of monetary	y Markets	0.072	3.96**
Creditors' privileges		-0.23	-16.20**
Enforcement	-0.22	-18.07	
	20		
Degree of Freedom	30	_	
R <sup>2</sup>	0.97		
Adj. R <sup>2</sup>	0.96		
Durbin-Watson statistic	1.74	]	
F-statistic	138.262		

\*Significant at least at 5% level critical value 2.05

\*\*Significant at least at 1% level critical value 2.76

## 4.3 Total Debt to Total Assets Ratio - Regression analysis

Table 3 mentions the outcome of regression analysis of total debt to total assets ratio.

The adjusted  $R^2$  has a value 0.82, which shows that approximately 82 % of the variation in the total debt to total assets ratio is mentioned by the country's financial and legal factors F-statistic is 26.26. A Durbin-Watson statistic of 2.48 shows the absence of first-order autocorrelation. The t- statistic resultants to these factors show that: (1) monetary liberalization's with a coefficient of 0.11 is an important affirmative financial determinant, (2) effectiveness of financial markets with a coefficient of 0. 07, is an important affirmative financial and legal determinant, and (3) creditors' privileges with a coefficient of -0.20, is a important inverse financial determinant of total debt to total assets ratio. The monetary factor implement, with a coefficient of -0.30, shown but with an inverse sign.

#### Table 3:

**Regression Results** 

Variable	<i>Coefficient</i>	<i>t-statistic</i>
Constant	0.91	20.52
Growth in GNP per capita	-0.12	-1.36
PLR	-0.02	-1.78
Monetary Liberalization	0.12	2.46**
Effectiveness of Financial Markets	0.07	3.15**
Creditors' privileges	-0.20	-5.26**
Enforcement	-0.30	-8.81
Degree of Freedom Adj. R <sup>2</sup>	30 0.82	
Durbin-Watson statistic F-statistic	2.48 26.26	

\*Significant at least at 5% level critical value 2.042

\*\*Significant at least at 1% level critical value 2.750

## 5. RESEARCH RESULTS AND FINDINGS

The study proposition is concerned to scrutinize how financial result impacts the capital structure of firm. That proposition is analyzed using t-statistic. The t-statistics show that H0 is not accepted for financial variables, monetary Liberalization, Effectiveness of financial markets and creditors' privileges for the three leverage

ratios at significance level of 1% and 5%. Although,  $R^2$  of debt/equity ratio, long term debt to total capitalization ratio and total debt to total assets ratio are big and show big financial importance in the study. Fama (1991) concludes that "a poor and rural class more wise version of the effectiveness proposition tells that prices show

data to the point where the minor advantage of performing on data does not go above the minor cost".

Friedman (1972) has showed that changes of rate of interest structures and its extent of elasticity is an apprehension to policy manufacturer, mainly in countries where legal and economic policies are reason of reservations concerning potential interest rates and inflation rates, or in countries where the dictatorial outline work has been too little. Glen and Pinto (1994) showed that variation in the debt/equity mix relies upon the legal and economic atmosphere as well as management controls and involvement in the internal markets of capital.

## 6. CONCLUSION

From the point of view of legal and economic implication, the majority important constitutional need on the capital structure of firms is the drawback on the allocation of a firms' collected NP as dividends. The constraint outcome in superior equity capital in relationship the condition where no restriction prevents. That report is valid if outdoor economics are less valuable for a firm than owner capital.

It is showed that companies in India, and shockingly in Pakistan illustrates extremely high leverage ratios with total debt/equity ratio resulting to more than 70%. For India, the ratio is about 50%. The high gearing for Indian firms is to be anticipated in view of its market status. But for Pakistan, the gearing is high due to undeveloped capital market which shows companies to opt for bank loans as different to hoist new equities. Excellent legal and financial policy needs both increasing the market capitalization of government expenditure from expenditure to investment in substantial capital share. India's traditional funding organization might be due to the lack of opposition in the business.

Like a dominant anti-poverty tool, micro-credit has showed significance to rural people. Micro credit enlarge loans rural people programs tiny to for self employment plan that produce income, permitting them to take care for themselves and their families. In the majority times, micro-credit programs present a mixture of services and funds to their customers additionally to credit for self employment. Those frequently contain savings, training, network and peer support. The subsequent improvement needed from the Pakistan Government like reinforce regulations legal and wise reform to permit economic companies exclude on security in the folder of not paid loans devoid of going during to

extensive court procedures, advance the NSS, permit and support thought of tiny economic companies to decrease division in the financial industry.

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