

FUNDAMENTALS OF ABM1 | Forms of Business Organizations
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Understanding of the various forms of business organizations.

Sole/Single Proprietorship

A form of business is owned by one person; the simplest, and the most common form of business organization. It is not separate from the owner. The business and the owner are inseparable.

Advantages of sole/single proprietorship

- The owner keeps all the profits.
- The owner makes all the decisions.
- It is easy to form and operate.

Disadvantages of sole/single proprietorship

- The life of the business is limited to the life of the owner. Once the owner dies, the business will cease to operate under the name of the proprietor.
- The amount of capital is limited only by the wealth of the proprietor.

Concept of Partnership

A form of business owned by two or more persons. The details of the arrangement between the partners are outlined in a written document called articles of partnership. Profits are divided among partners based on their agreed sharing. The owner is called a partner.

Advantages of a Partnership

- Higher capital because two or more persons will contribute to the common fund.
- It is easy to operate like a sole/single proprietorship

Disadvantages of a Partnership

- The profits are divided among the partners.
- A partner can be held liable for the acts of the other partners.
- In a lawsuit, the personal properties of the partners can be held beyond their contributions and may be used to answer for any liability of the partnership.