### DP BUSINESS MANAGEMENT - UNIT 1 INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS MANAGEMENT 1.5 GROWTH AND EVOLUTION ECONOMIES / DISECONOMIES OF SCALE

### **Economies of scale**

Average unit cost of production  $\underline{\text{decreases}}$  as the level of output increases in the long run

#### **Internal Economies of scale**

	Definition	Example
Purchasing economies of scale		
Technical economies of scale		
Marketing economies of scale:		
Managerial economies of scale:		
Financial economies of scale:		
Specialization Economies of scale		
Risk-bearing Economies of scale		

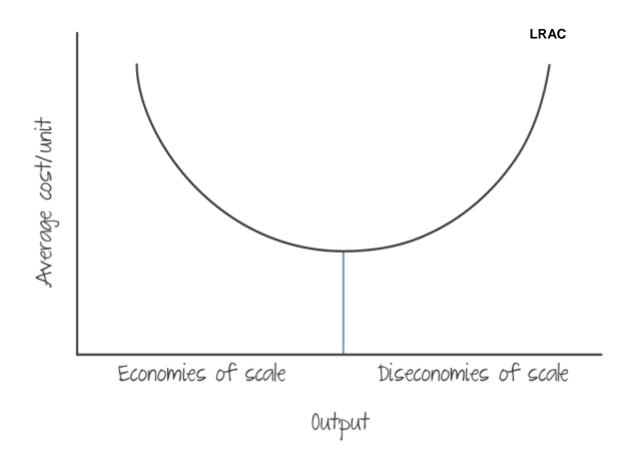
### **Diseconomies of scale**

Average unit cost of production <u>increases</u> as the level of output increases. This increase in average unit cost is usually explained by the difficulty of managing very large operations.

### Internal diseconomies of scale

	Explanation
Managerial issues	
Poorer working Relationships	
Outsized organization	
Bureaucracy	

Figure 1. Graph showing economies and diseconomies of scale.



### **EXTERNAL ECONOMIES OF SCALE**

Technological progress	Improved transportation network
Skilled Labour	Regional Specialization

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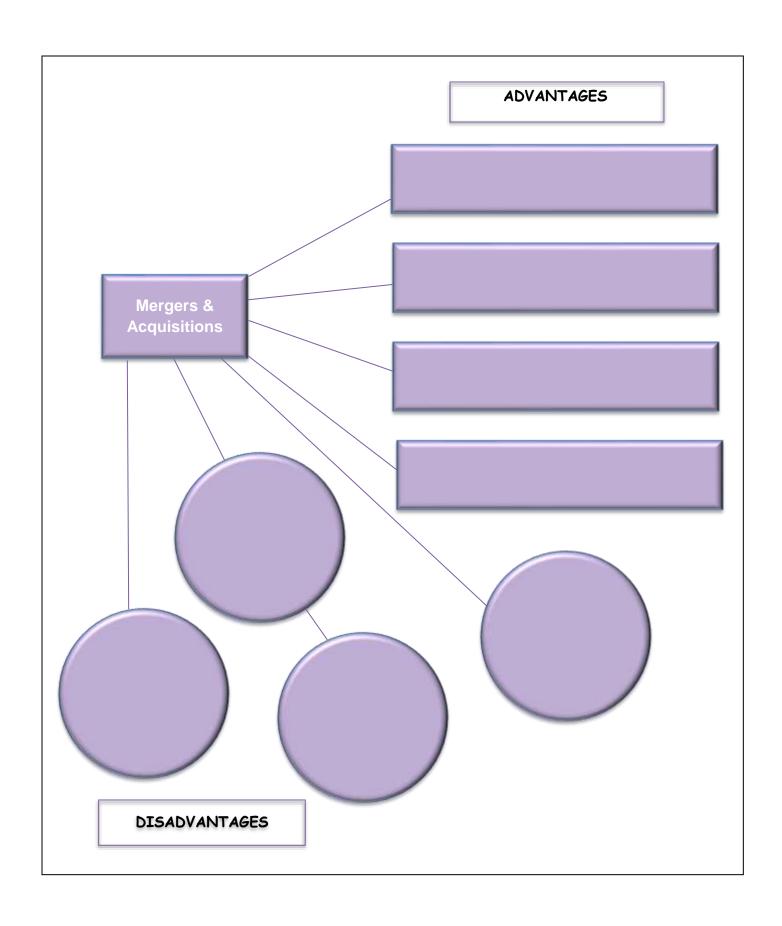
Higher rents	
Higher pay and rewards	
Traffic Congestion	

# DP BUSINESS MANAGEMENT - UNIT 1 INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS MANAGEMENT 1.5 GROWTH AND EVOLUTION EXTERNAL VS. INTERNAL GROWTH METHODS

Growth Method		Definition	
External Growth			
Mergers and Acquisitions			
<u>Vertical M&amp;A</u>	Forward vertical M&A	Backward Vertical M&A	Conglomerate M&A(Diversification)
Takeovers			
Joint ventures			
Strategic alliances			
Franchising			

Advantages of external growth	Disadvantages of external growth
Internal (Organic) Growth	
Examples:	
<ul> <li>Hiring more employees</li> <li>Developing new products</li> <li>Improving marketing</li> </ul>	
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Advantages of Internal Growth	Disadvantages of Internal growth



TAKEOVERS		
Advantages	Disadvantages	

# DP BUSINESS MANAGEMENT - UNIT 1 BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND ENVIRONMENT 1.5 GROWTH AND EVOLUTION MERITS OF SMALL VS. LARGE ORGANIZATIONS

Factor	Small organisations	Large organisations
Economies of scale		
Lower prices & Variety of choice	Small firms are not able to offer customer greater discount as they don't achieve economies of scale	Large firms are able to offer customers greater discount through their ability to enjoy economies of scale
Brand reputation		
Financial risk		
Personalized services		
Competitors		