2. It exhibits the financial track path and the position of the organization.

- Note
- Being business in the dynamic environment, it is required to face the ever changing environment. In order to meet the needs of the ever changing environment, the policies are to be formulated for the smooth conduct of the business.
- 4. It equips the management to discharge the obligations at every moment.
- 5. Obligations to customers, investors, employees, to renovate/restructure and so on.

## 1.1.4 Scope of Accounting

The Scope of accounting is divided into following two parts:

- 1. Branches of Accounting
- 2. Accounting as a science or an art

## **Branches of Accounting**

The main objectives of accounting are to record the business transactions and to provide the necessary information to the internal and external users of the financial statements. In order to achieve the above objectives, the accounting is classified into followings branches:

- Financial Accounting: It is the original form of accounting. It refers to the recording of
  daily business financial transaction. Recording of the transaction is done in such a way
  that the profit of the business may be ascertained after a definite period and the picture of
  the financial position of the business may be presented.
- Cost Accounting: As the name indicates, this accounting is related with the ascertainment
  of cost of the product in a period. Under this system, record of raw materials used in
  production, wages and labour paid and other expenses incurred on production are kept to
  control the costs.
- Management Accounting: The accounting which provides the necessary information to
  the management is called management accounting. Under this, the analysis and
  interpretation of the accounts, prepared by financial accounting, are done in a manner so
  that the managers may forecast, plan for future and frame the policy.
- Tax Accounting: Under tax accounting, the accountants prepare the accounts as per the
  provisions of taxation. The accounts prepared as per taxation provisions may differ from
  the accounts prepared as per financial accounting.
- Inflation Accounting: The financial statements are prepared on the basis of historical cost
  which do not present the true picture of the financial position and correct profit or loss of
  the business due to inflation. Thus the fresh financial statements are prepared keeping in
  mind the price level changes under inflation accounting.
- 6. Human Resource Accounting: Human Resource Accounting means the accounting for human being as now in an organization human being is treated as an asset like other physical assets. It is recorded in the books like other assets. HRA deals with the measurement of costs on recruiting, selecting, hiring, training, placing and development of the employees in one side and on the other side it deals with the present economic value of the employees. For the determination of the value of human being different methods are used under HRA.
- Responsibility Accounting: Responsibility accounting is a special technique of management under which accountability is established according to the responsibility delegated to the