Excel VBA, Automation, Reports and Dashboards

Course Outline

Session # 1

Fundamentals of Spreadsheet Application Development

- 1. Determine the needs of user.
- 2. Plan an application that meets these needs.
- 3. Determine the most appropriate user interface.
- 4. Create the spreadsheet, formulas, macros and user interface.
- 5. Test and debug the application.
- 6. Attempt to make application bulletproof.
- 7. Make the application aesthetically appealing and intuitive.
- 8. Document the development efforts.
- 9. Distribute the application.
- 10. Update the application when necessary.

Session # 2

- 1. Basics of VBA [Code, Module, Procedure, Methods, Properties).
- 2. Introduction of Visual Basic Editor.
- 3. The Macro Recorder.
 - a. What Macro Recorder Record.
 - b. Recording Options.
 - c. Cleaning Up recorded Macros.
- 4. Objects and Collections.
- 5. Properties and Methods.
- 6. Working with Range Object
 - a. The Range Property.
 - b. The Cell Property.
 - c. The Offset Property.
- 7. Classroom Exercises

Session #3

VBA Programming essentials

- 1. Variables, datatypes and Constants.
- 2. Arrays.
- 3. Object Variables.
- 4. User Defined data types.
- 5. Built-in functions.
- 6. With End With Construct
- 7. Loops
- 8. Select Case Construct
- 9. Classroom Exercise

Session #4

Working with VBA Sub Procedures

- 1. Declaring and Creating VBA Sub Procedures.
- 2. Executing procedures.
- 3. Passing Arguments to Procedures.
- 4. Error Handling.
- 5. Classroom Exercises.

Session #5

Working with Pivot Tables and Reports

- 1. Creating Pivot Tables with VBA.
- 2. Creating Multiple Pivot Tables in one go.
- 3. Creating a reverse Pivot Table.
- 4. Classroom Exercises.

Session # 6

Working with Function Procedures

- 1. Why create functions.
- 2. Understanding difference between Sub Procedure and Function Procedure.
- 3. Using the function in a worksheet.
- 4. Using function in VBA procedure.
- 5. Function Examples.
- 6. Classroom Exercises.

Session # 7

Custom Dialog Box Alternatives

- 1. Using an input box to get user input.
- 2. Using a message box to display messages or to get simple response.
- 3. Selecting a file from a dialog box.
- 4. Selecting a directory.
- 5. Displaying a data form.
- 6. Classroom Exercises.

Session #8

Introducing User Forms

- 1. Creating, showing and unloading user Forms.
- 2. Exploring User Form controls.
- 3. Setting properties of User Form controls.
- 4. Controlling User Forms with VBA procedures.
- 5. Types of Events relevant to User Forms and Controls.
- 6. Classroom Exercises.

Session # 9

Working with Charts and Chart Animation

- 1. Essential information on Excel Charts.
- 2. Difference between embedded charts and Chart sheets.
- 3. Understanding Chart Object Model.
- 4. Common Charting Tasks that use VBA.
- 5. Useful Chart Making tricks.
- 6. Working with Sparkline Charts.
- 7. Classroom Exercises.

Session # 10

Creating and Automating Dashboards

- 1. Components that show trending.
- 2. Components that group data.
- 3. Components that show Performance against target.
- 4. Visualization techniques.
- 5. Classroom Exercises.