OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY:

1. To analyse and understand the key reforms introduced in the Banking sector.

2. To study the financial performance of Public and Private sector Banks.

3. To study the impact of reforms on the financial performance of Banks.

4. To make a comparative financial performance analysis between Public and Private sector Banks.
**HYPOTHESIS:**

**Ho1 –**

There is a significant difference in the financial performance of the Banks between Period I (1991-92 to 1997-98) and Period II (1998-99 to 2010-11).

**Ho2 –**

There is a significant correlation between Deposits and Advances of the Banks.

**Ho3 –**

There is a significant relation between Income and Profitability of the Banks.