

## **GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**

Syllabus for Master of Business Administration, 1st Semester Subject Name: Business Ethics & Corporate Governance (BE&CG)
Subject Code: 4519205

With effective from academic year 2018-19

### 1. Learning Outcomes:

Learning Outcome Component   Learning Outcome (Learner will be able to)		
Business Environment and Domain Knowledge (BEDK)	<ul> <li>Relate the concepts and principles of ethical reasoning to specific ethical issues.</li> <li>Comprehend the legal and regulatory structure of business and its bearing on ethical issues in business.</li> </ul>	
Critical thinking, Business Analysis, Problem Solving and Innovative Solutions (CBPI)	• Critically <i>evaluate</i> the concepts and mechanics of internal auditing that are applied to determine and ensure compliance with corporate governance and ethical policies.	
Global Exposure and Cross- Cultural Understanding (GECCU)	• <i>Relate</i> the evolution of diverse ownership and governance structures across different economies and cultures.	
Social Responsiveness and Ethics (SRE)	• Assess the ethical basis of corporate organisation and governance, including the ethical arguments for and against the concepts of corporate social responsibility and stakeholder management	
Effective Communication (EC)	<ul> <li>Develop and demonstrate an ability to write and debate about aspects of business ethics and corporate governance in a manner that is analytical, logical and critical.</li> <li>Explain the external reporting requirements relating to corporate governance which apply to organisations.</li> </ul>	
Leadership and Teamwork (LT)	• Function effectively as a member or leader of a team for identifying ethical issues and developing solutions.	

# 2. Course Duration: The course duration is of 40 sessions of 60 minutes each.

#### 3. Course Contents:

Module No.	Modules / Sub-Modules		70 Marks (External Evaluation)
	Introduction to Business Ethics:		
	Nature of Ethics		
I	<ul> <li>Ethical Concepts and Theories</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Morals and Values</li> </ul>	10	17
	<ul> <li>Importance and need of ethics in business</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Distinction between values and ethics</li> </ul>		
	• Kohlberg's six stages of moral development (CMD)		
	• Managerial Ethics:		
	<ul> <li>Categories of management morality</li> </ul>		
П	• Ethical Problems-Dilemma at Work-Sources and		
	Resolutions	10	18
	• Overview of Creative Accounting-Its role in business		
	scandals		
	Corporate Ethical Leadership		



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	Whistle Blowing.		
	Corporate Governance:		
III	<ul> <li>Meaning of Corporate Governance:</li> <li>Difference between Governance and Management.</li> <li>Purpose of Good Governance</li> <li>Potential Consequence of poor CG.</li> <li>Governance risk and Financial Stability  - The balancing of conflicting objectives.</li> <li>Indian and Global Scenario:</li> <li>Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002</li> <li>Overview of Anglo-American, Japanese, German models of CG</li> <li>Reports and recommendations of Narayan Murthy &amp; Ganguly Committees</li> </ul>	10	18
	Strengthening Corporate Governance:		
IV	<ul> <li>Key Issues in CG:</li> <li>Role and composition of the board, remuneration of directors and senior executives</li> <li>Rights and responsibilities of shareholders</li> <li>Ownership of independent directors</li> <li>Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR):</li> <li>Introduction to CSR</li> <li>Advantages and Scope</li> <li>Indian Scenario</li> <li>CG and CSR</li> <li>Corporate governance rating</li> </ul>	10	17
V	<ul> <li>Practical: The students may be given a term paper either individually or in group of 2 to 3 students on topic like: <ul> <li>Study of the CSR activities of corporates</li> <li>Important religious tenets (any one of them) and their implication for social and spiritual enhancement.</li> <li>Significance of Values contained in Scriptures like Ramayana, Mahabharata, Bible, Quran, etc., for Social and Spiritual Welfare.</li> <li>Important Values prescribed by historical leaders of India, viz. Chanakya, Kautilya, Akbar, Maharana Pratap, Mahatma Gandhi, Mother Teressa, etc., and their significance in guiding Human Behaviour.</li> <li>Relevant values as practiced by corporate / business leaders and their role in empire building.</li> <li>The students may also be asked to conduct the survey of 3 to 4 organizations to study the Ethical practices pursued by them and the way Ethical Dilemmas, if any, are resolved and also the system of corporate governance in those organizations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		(30 marks CEC)

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#### 4. Pedagogy:

- ICT enabled Classroom teaching
- Case study
- Practical / live assignment
- Interactive class room discussions

#### 5. Evaluation:

Students shall be evaluated on the following components:

	Internal Evaluation	(Internal Assessment- 50 Marks)	
A	Continuous Evaluation Component	30 marks	
	Class Presence & Participation	10 marks	
	• Quiz	10 marks	
В	Mid-Semester examination	(Internal Assessment-30 Marks)	
C	End –Semester Examination	(External Assessment-70 Marks)	

#### 6. Reference Books:

No.	Author	Name of the Book	Publisher	Year of
				<b>Publication</b> /
				Edition
1	S K Mandal	Ethics in Business and Corporate	Tata McGraw	2011 or Latest
		Governance	Hill	
2	Murthy C.S.V.	Business Ethics and Corporate	Himalaya	2009 or Latest
		Governance	Publishing	Edition
3	A.C. Fernando	Business Ethics: An Indian	Pearson	Latest
		Perspective		
4	Riya Rupani	Business Ethics and Corporate	Himalaya	Latest Edition
		Governance	Publishing	
5	David J.Fritzsch	Business Ethics; a Global and	McGraw-Hill	Latest Edition
		Managerial Perspective	Irwin, Singapore	
6	Andrew Crane	Business Ethics : Managing	Oxford	Latest Edition
	& Dirk Matten	Corporate Citizenship and	University Press	
		Sustainability in the Age of		
		Globalization		
7	Neeru Vasisth	Corporate Governance Values &	Taxmann	2010
	Namita Rajpu	Ethics		
8	Ashok K	Business Ethics and Business	Taxmann	Latest Edition
	Nadhani	Communications		
9	Murthy C.S.V	Business Ethics	Himalaya	Latest Edition
			Publishing	
10	Daniel	Business Ethics: Principles and	Oxford Uni.	Latest Edition
	Albuquerque	practice	Press	

# 7. List of Journals / Periodicals / Magazines / Newspapers / Web resources, etc.

- 1. Journal of Human Values
- 2. IBA Journal of Management & Leadership
- 3. International Journal of Business Ethics in Developing Economies
- 4. Journal of Business Law and ethics
- 5. Indian Journal of Corporate Governance