# 3. Business Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility

### Modules at a Glance

SN	Modules	No. of Lectures
1	Introduction to Business Ethics	15
2	Indian Ethical Practices and Corporate Governance	15
3	Introduction to Corporate Social Responsibility	15
4	Areas of CSR and CSR Policy	15
	Total	60

# Objectives

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1	To familiarize the learners with the concept and relevance of Business Ethics in the modern era
2	To enable learners to understand the scope and complexity of Corporate Social responsibility in the global and Indian context

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1	Introduction to Business Ethics	
	Business Ethics – Concept, Characteristics, Importance and Need for	
	business ethics. Indian Ethos, Ethics and Values, Work Ethos,	
	• Sources of Ethics, Concept of Corporate Ethics, code of Ethics-	
	Guidelines for developing code of ethics, Ethics Management	
	Programme, Ethics Committee.	
	• Various approaches to Business Ethics - Theories of Ethics- Friedman's	
	Economic theory, Kant's Deontological theory, Mill & Bentham's	
	Utilitarianism theory	
	Gandhian Approach in Management and Trusteeship, Importance and	

- relevance of trusteeship principle in Modern Business, Gandhi's Doctrine of Satya and Ahimsa,
- Emergence of new values in Indian Industries after economic reforms of 1991

#### 2 Indian Ethical Practices and Corporate Governance

- Ethics in Marketing and Advertising, Human Resources Management, Finance and Accounting, Production, Information Technology, Copyrights and Patents
- Corporate Governance: Concept, Importance, Evolution of Corporate Governance, Principles of Corporate Governance,
- Regulatory Framework of Corporate Governance in India, SEBI Guidelines and clause 49, Audit Committee, Role of Independent Directors, Protection of Stake Holders, Changing roles of corporate Boards.
- Elements of Good Corporate Governance, Failure of Corporate Governance and its consequences

#### 3 Introduction to Corporate Social Responsibility

- Corporate Social Responsibility: Concept, Scope & Relevance and Importance of CSR in Contemporary Society.
- Corporate philanthropy, Models for Implementation of CSR, Drivers of CSR, Prestigious awards for CSR in India.
- CSR and Indian Corporations- Legal Provisions and Specification on CSR, A Score Card, Future of CSR in India.
- Role of NGO's and International Agencies in CSR, Integrating CSR into Business

### 4 Areas of CSR and CSR Policy

- CSR towards Stakeholders-- Shareholders, Creditors and Financial Institutions, Government, Consumers, Employees and Workers, Local Community and Society.
- CSR and environmental concerns.
- Designing CSR Policy- Factors influencing CSR Policy, Role of HR Professionals in CSR
- Global Recognitions of CSR- ISO- 14000-SA 8000 AA 1000 Codes

formulated by UN Global Compact – UNDP, Global Reporting Initiative; major codes on CSR.

- CSR and Sustainable Development
- CSR through Triple Bottom Line in Business