

1. Introduction to Ethics and Governance

- **Definition and Importance**
 - Overview of Ethics and Governance
 - Significance in Civil Services and Administration
- **Role in Public Administration**
 - Ethics in Policy Making
 - Governance as a Tool for Public Welfare
- **Ethical Theories and Philosophies**
 - Utilitarianism, Deontology, Virtue Ethics
 - Indian Philosophical Traditions and Ethics
- **Relevance to Civil Services**
 - Ethics as a Core Competency
 - Case Studies on Ethical Leadership in Civil Services

2. Foundational Concepts in Ethics

- **Morality vs. Ethics**
 - Differences and Interconnections
 - Examples in Public and Private Life
- **Values, Beliefs, and Attitudes**
 - Formation and Influence on Decision-Making
 - Cultural and Social Impact on Ethics
- **Principles of Ethical Conduct**
 - Honesty, Integrity, Fairness, and Accountability
 - Ethical Decision-Making Models
- **Professional Ethics in Public Life**
 - Code of Ethics for Civil Servants
 - Examples of Ethical Conduct in Administration

3. Ethics in Public Administration

- **Ethical Dilemmas and Decision-Making**
 - Identifying and Resolving Ethical Dilemmas
 - Frameworks for Ethical Decision-Making
- **Integrity and Accountability**
 - Role in Enhancing Public Trust
 - Mechanisms for Ensuring Accountability
- **Conflict of Interest**
 - Identification and Management
 - Case Studies on Conflict Resolution
- **Ethical Governance and Transparency**
 - Principles of Good Governance
 - Transparency and Public Accountability Mechanisms

4. Human Values in Administration

- **Role of Values in Governance**
 - Importance of Human Values in Policy Implementation
 - Role of Values in Public Decision-Making
- **Importance of Compassion and Empathy**
 - Case Studies on Compassionate Governance
 - Impact of Empathy on Public Welfare
- **Values-Driven Leadership**
 - Leadership Styles and Ethical Governance
 - Role of Moral Leadership in Administration
- **Case Studies on Value-Based Decision-Making**
 - Examples from Indian and Global Governance

5. Constitutional and Legal Framework for Ethics

- **Constitutional Provisions**
 - Articles Related to Ethics and Governance
 - Role of the Constitution in Promoting Ethical Governance
- **Laws Governing Ethical Conduct**
 - Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988
 - Right to Information Act, 2005
- **Whistleblower Protection and Anti-Corruption Laws**
 - Whistleblower Protection Act, 2014
 - Mechanisms for Reporting and Addressing Corruption
- **Judicial Pronouncements on Ethics**
 - Landmark Judgments Promoting Ethical Governance
 - Role of Judiciary in Upholding Ethical Standards

6. Code of Conduct for Public Servants

- **Historical Evolution**
 - Development of Ethical Codes in India
 - Global Comparison of Ethical Codes
- **Key Components of the Code**
 - Integrity, Objectivity, and Confidentiality
 - Examples of Ethical Codes in Various Countries
- **Enforcement Mechanisms**
 - Disciplinary Procedures and Ethics Committees
 - Role of Institutions like the CVC and Lokpal
- **Case Studies on Code Violations**
 - High-Profile Cases of Ethical Breaches
 - Lessons Learned and Reforms Introduced

7. Corporate Governance

- **Principles and Objectives**
 - Corporate Ethics and Responsibility

- Governance Models and Frameworks
- **Regulatory Framework**
 - SEBI Regulations on Corporate Governance
 - Companies Act, 2013
- **Role of Boards and Committees**
 - Audit Committees, Independent Directors
 - Case Studies on Corporate Governance Failures
- **Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)**
 - Role in Promoting Ethical Business Practices
 - Examples of Successful CSR Initiatives

8. International Ethics and Governance Standards

- **Global Ethical Standards**
 - UN Global Compact, OECD Guidelines
 - Ethical Governance in International Organizations
- **Comparative Analysis of Ethics in Governance**
 - Ethics in Governance in Developed vs. Developing Countries
 - Case Studies on International Ethical Standards
- **International Agencies and Their Role**
 - World Bank, IMF, UNDP in Promoting Good Governance
 - Case Studies on International Interventions in Governance
- **Case Studies of Ethical Failures and Reforms**
 - Global Scandals and Their Impact on Ethical Governance
 - Reforms Introduced in Response to Ethical Failures

9. Ethics in Politics and Electoral Processes

- **Ethical Issues in Political Campaigns**
 - Transparency in Funding, Ethical Advertising
 - Case Studies on Electoral Ethics
- **Electoral Reforms and Ethics**
 - Role of Election Commission in Promoting Ethical Elections
 - Case Studies on Successful Electoral Reforms
- **Role of Media and Public Opinion**
 - Media Ethics in Political Reporting
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- **Case Studies on Electoral Malpractices**
 - Analysis of Historical Cases of Electoral Fraud
 - Lessons Learned and Proposed Reforms

10. Environmental Ethics and Governance

- **Ethical Issues in Environmental Policy**
 - Sustainable Development and Ethical Considerations
 - Environmental Justice and Ethical Governance

- **Sustainable Development and Ethical Decision-Making**
 - Role of Ethics in Formulating Environmental Policies
 - Case Studies on Sustainable Development Initiatives
- **International Environmental Governance**
 - Global Environmental Agreements and Ethical Standards
 - Role of International Organizations in Environmental Governance
- **Case Studies on Environmental Ethics**
 - Analysis of Major Environmental Scandals
 - Ethical Governance in Environmental Policy Making

11. Ethics in Public Policy and Decision Making

- **Frameworks for Ethical Policy Making**
 - Ethical Principles in Policy Formulation
 - Role of Stakeholders in Ethical Policy Making
- **Role of Ethics in Policy Formulation and Implementation**
 - Examples of Ethical Policies in India
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- **Impact of Public Policy on Society**
 - Case Studies on Ethical Impact of Public Policies
 - Lessons Learned from Ethical Policy Failures
- **Case Studies on Ethical Public Policies**
 - Analysis of Policies That Promoted Ethical Governance
 - Lessons from Successful Ethical Policy Implementation

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- **Ethical Challenges in Healthcare Governance**
 - Patient Rights, Ethical Research Practices
 - Role of Ethics in Public Health Policy
- **Role of Ethics in Educational Administration**
 - Academic Integrity, Ethical Leadership in Education
 - Case Studies on Ethical Issues in Education
- **Policy Interventions and Ethical Issues**
 - Government Policies and Ethical Challenges
 - Impact of Ethics on Policy Success in Health and Education
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- **Challenges in Indian Governance**
 - Corruption, Bureaucratic Inefficiencies
 - Role of Ethics in Addressing Governance Challenges
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- NGOs, Media, and Public Participation in Governance
- Case Studies on Civil Society Interventions
- **Good Governance Initiatives**
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- **Case Studies on Governance Reforms in India**
 - Analysis of Reforms Aimed at Promoting Ethical Governance
 - Lessons from Successful Governance Reforms

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- **Ethical Issues in Technology and AI**
 - Privacy, Data Security, and Ethical AI
 - Case Studies on Ethical Challenges in Technology
- **Digital Governance and Privacy Concerns**
 - Role of Ethics in Digital Policy Making
 - Impact of Digitalization on Governance
- **Cyber Ethics and Regulation**
 - Ethical Challenges in Cyber Governance
 - Case Studies on Cybersecurity and Ethical Issues
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 - Analysis of Ethical Issues in E-Governance
 - Lessons Learned from Digital Governance Failures

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 - Corruption, Transparency, and Ethical Leadership
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- **Governance in Times of Crisis**
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- **Future Trends in Ethical Governance**
 - Emerging Issues in Ethics and Governance
 - Predictions and Challenges for Future Governance
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- Model Answers with Structuring Tips
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 - Summary of Their Provisions and Relevance
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 - Definitions of Key Terms in Ethics and Governance
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