

Indian Institute of Management Indore

Integrated Programme in Management TERM III

TITLE OF THE COURSE: PHILOSOPHY II

CREDITS: 2

COURSE DESCRIPTION

All the actions that an individual brings about to realize her intentional state(s) are not right as well as the best ones from the societal point of view. In order for her to bring about the socially permissible actions, she has to follow the principles that the society has ingrained. At some other times, it has been found that within the society there are some actions which are, in principle, not right, but have been accepted conventionally. So it becomes a tough task for her to decide upon which course of action she has to bring about and which one she has to avoid. There must be certain perspectives and principles which would guide her to deliberate the right courses of action.

In this context, more pertinent questions come to the fore: "How can an individual be cognizant of those principles which are, in principle, right?"; "Is there any source which would make an individual aware of those rules and principles which are right across time and space?"; "Is there any existing domain which would guide an individual to judge whether the actions that she brings about or she would be bringing about are good for the society at large?". This is the branch of ethics, a sub-domain of Philosophy, which provides sound ethical perspectives and principles required for an individual to deliberate the right courses of action.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

\square To make the participants identify ethically complex issues that are encountered in one's working life at the individual and societal levels
\Box To get the participants exposed to various existing ethical perspectives required for analysing those complex ethical issues and to make the participants aware of the key ethical principles required to critically assess those given ethical perspectives
\Box To enable the participants to take ethically justified action(s) to come out of the ethically complex issues
\square To get the participants exposed to basic foundations of ethics required for advanced level of ethical analysis required in the domain of Business and Management.
