Semester II

Business Environment

1. Business Environment: Concept and Importance, Nature & Scope, Types of environment: Natural, Economic, Social, Cultural, Technical, Demographical, Political, Global, Cross-Cultural etc.

2. Natural Environment: Natural factors effecting the Business: Topography, Climate, Minerals and Water resources- Natural Resources and Sustainability, Renewable and Non-renewable resources- Limitations of Non- renewable Resources – Needs for Renewable Resources – Oil crisis and its impacts on Business – Strategy for conservation of Natural Resources – Industries and pollution – Global Warming.

3. Economic & Financial Environment: Economic System and its impact on Business-Macroeconomic parameters like GDP, Unemployment, Poverty, Regional imbalances, Social injustice, Industrial Sickness, Inflation, Parallel Economy, Urbanisation, Planned investment, Infrastructure – Supportive role of Govt. of India – Financial System & RBI, Commercial Banks, Financial Institutions, Stock Exchange.

4. Legal Environment: MRTP Act., Foreign Exchange Management Act., Security Exchange Board of India Act., Consumer Protection Act., Patent Act., Goods & Service Tax ACT.,

5. **Technological Environment:** Defining of Technology – Technology and Growth of Business – Technology and Competitive advantage – Govt. role of creating environment to promote Technology.

6. **Social and Cultural Environment:** Concept and importance of Socio- Cultural Environment of Business – Social and Educational Set-up, Cultural tradition, Social attitude, Castes and Communities, Linguistics and Religious Groups – Foreign Culture – Social responsibility of Business.

7. **Political Environment:** Government and Business relationship in India. Political System and its influence on Business.