

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Ahmedabad FACULTY OF ARTS

Department of Sanskrit

Syllabus of Semester – II of the following departments under Faculty of Arts based on Under Graduate Curriculum Framework - 2023 to be implemented from the Academic Year 2023-24.

Course	Title	Content	Hours/ week	Credit
Minor-1	Vidur Niti: Lessons	U-1: Understanding Dharma and Duty	4 hrs	2
SN-2501	from Chapter 5	U-2: Wisdom and Prudence in Decision-		
		Making		
		U-3: Managing Wealth and Resources		
		U-4: Leadership and Governance		

Minor-1 Vidur Niti: Lessons from Chapter 5

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

	Credit Distribution of The Course (Total Credit 4)					
Course Title & Code	Lecture	Practical	Experiential Learning	Eligibility Criteria	Prerequisite(s) of the Course (if any)	
Vidur Niti: Lessons from Chapter 5 SN-2501	4	0	0	10 + 2 from a recognized board in any stream	Basic Sanskrit, Reading & Analytical Skills	

Course Title: Vidur Niti: Lessons from Chapter 5

Unit 1: Understanding Dharma and Duty

Outcomes:

Students will comprehend the concept of Dharma as outlined in Vidur Niti Chapter 5.

Students will be able to differentiate between one's duties towards family, society, and the self.

Students will recognize the importance of adhering to one's duties in maintaining a balanced life.

Core Readings:

"Vidur Niti" Chapter 5 (Original Sanskrit Text with Translation)

Shastri, Bhojraj (Ed.). "Vidura Neeti" (With Hindi Translation)

Unit 2: Wisdom and Prudence in Decision-Making

Outcomes:

Students will analyze the principles of wisdom and prudence as expounded in Chapter 5.

Students will evaluate scenarios where wise decisions can lead to favorable outcomes.

Students will apply Vidur's teachings to modern decision-making processes.

Core Readings:

"Vidur Niti" Chapter 5 (Original Sanskrit Text with Translation)

Dharmapala, Manilal. "Vidur Niti: Text with English Translation and Critical Study"

Unit 3: Managing Wealth and Resources

Outcomes:

Students will understand the importance of wealth management and its ethical dimensions as per Vidur Niti. Students will explore strategies for responsible resource allocation and utilization.

Students will analyze the implications of wealth accumulation and distribution in society.

Core Readings:

"Vidur Niti" Chapter 5 (Original Sanskrit Text with Translation)

Radhakrishnan, S. "Indian Philosophy, Volume 1"

Unit 4: Leadership and Governance

Outcomes:

Students will assess the qualities and responsibilities of a just and effective leader according to Vidur Niti. Students will compare Vidur's teachings on governance with other historical and contemporary leadership philosophies.

Students will evaluate the relevance of Vidur Niti's principles in modern political contexts.

Core Readings:

"Vidur Niti" Chapter 5 (Original Sanskrit Text with Translation)

Gandhi, M. K. "The Essential Writings of Mahatma Gandhi"

Note: Additional readings, supplementary materials, and guest lectures may be introduced during the course to provide a broader understanding and application of Vidur Niti Chapter 5. The course may also include discussions, case studies, and research projects to engage students actively with the material.