

A Proposal for
CORPORATE GOVERNANCE SEMINAR

Submitted to:

School of Business

Faculty of Management Studies

Pokhara University

Submitted by:

MBA VIth (Full Time)

1. Introduction of Corporate Governance Graduate Seminar

This seminar aims to discuss the principles and practice of corporate governance, and provides a framework for analyzing issues in the governance of corporations and is designed to provide participants with a comprehensive and firm understanding of the concepts and issues involved with corporate governance. Issues to be discussed are the roles of stakeholders in corporate governance, emphasizing shareholders, directors and management. It will cover models, mechanisms, and emerging issues in corporate governance, stakeholder rights and responsibilities, issues pertaining to the board of directors and management, audit committees, corporate practices and legislations on corporate governance and responsibility. The graduate seminar in corporate governance will address the various contemporary issues through discussion, selected readings and case analysis. The participants will examine the current literature on major governance issues and prepare and present a seminar paper.

The seminar papers may be in any of the following form:

- (a) A critique of empirical articles on a significant issue
- (b) A replication of a significant empirical study
- (c) A literature survey on a specific topic, leading to a thesis proposal
- (d) An original piece of work
- (e) Case studies on corporate governance

Each seminar paper will be reviewed by an expert. The role of the discussant is to highlight the main themes of the paper and to identify the problems, challenges, and/or insights that demand attention. The object is to address the paper with critical and compassionate appreciation that will contribute to the development of the paper.

2. Objectives

The objectives of the seminar are as follows:

- i. To discuss the issues related to corporate governance in Nepal
- ii. To provide a platform for analysis of policy issues required for enhancing good corporate governance practices in Nepalese organizations.
- iii. To promote seminar paper writing and presentation skills of the students.

3. Significance

Corporate governance is a backbone for sound governance in private sector firms. Sound corporate governance promotes economic growth. The growth, stability and sustainability of Nepalese firms has been hampered due to lack of good corporate governance practices adopted by the firms. The recent failures in some financial institutions in Nepal is due to failure in corporate governance. Hence, the issue of corporate governance principals and practices is of immense importance in Nepal. The seminar will provide a platform for discussion of issues related to corporate governance practices in Nepal and produce some policy recommendations through scholarly discussion.

4. Seminar Arrangements

The seminar will be a two-day program organized by MBA-VIth Trimester students.

Date of the Program : 27th –28th Bhadra, 2076

Venue: Pokhara

Expected no of participants: 40 (Students, Faculties, Staffs, and Guests)

Seminar Paper Presenters (Student Delegates) = 27

Faculty/Staff Guests : 8

External Experts : 3

Special Guests : 2

5. The Budget for the Seminar

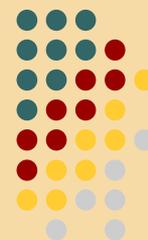
The estimated budget expenditure for the seminar is as follows:

SN	Particulars	Rate	Qty	Total
1	Hi-Tea Buffet	200	40	8000
2	Dinner Buffet	600	40	24000
3	Seminar Hall Banner	2000	1	2000
4	Best Paper Awards	1200	3	3600
5	Certificates	75	35	2625
6	Badge and Khada	120	10	1200
7	Token of Participation	26	200	5200
8	Organizer Id Cards	55	5	275
9	Miscellaneous	2110	1	2110
	Grand Total			49,010
Sources of Financing				
1	Student's Contribution	885	26	24,010
2	SOB Funding			25,000

The financial support requested from School of Business for successful organization of the Seminar is **Rs. 25,000** only.

Two-day Seminar on Contemporary Issues in Corporate Governance

20th – 21st Baishak, 2076



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HALL – A : SEMINAR SCHEDULE

DAY-I: 20th Baishak, 2076	
7:00 – 7:15	Registration /Attendance
Technical Session – I (Hall A)	
7:15 – 9:15	Seminar Paper Presentations: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Role of corporate governance for economic development (Goma Rana Chhetri) 2. Role and responsibilities of board of director in corporate governance (Puspa Raj Ojha) 3. Corporate transparency and disclosure (Santosh Bagale) 4. Code of best practices for corporate governance (Usha Tamang) 5. Role of CEO duality on corporate governance practices (Pritimi Gurung) 6. Role of external auditors in enhancing corporate governance (Ranju Adhikari) 7. Corporate governance and pressure groups (Bhupendra Devkota) 8. Control mechanism in corporate governance practices in Nepalese banking sector (Aruna Khadka)
9:15-9:45	Refreshment Break
9:45 – 11:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Corporate governance in Tyco International (Santosh Karki) 10. Failure of corporate governance in Gurkha Development Bank (Srijana Poudel) 11. Corporate governance and financial reporting disclosure: A case of Nepal (MD Sahib Khan) 12. Corporate governance research in Nepal (Deepa G. C.) 13. Role of independent directors in corporate governance (Bimal Shrestha) 14. Regulatory provisions for corporate governance in Nepal (Sagar Aryal) 15. Role of media in corporate governance (Sharada B. K.) 16.
11:45 – 12:00	Attendance

Two-day Seminar on Current Issues and Challenges in Corporate Governance

3rd – 4th, Jestha 2076



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DAY – II PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY-II: 4th Jestha, 2076

10:30 – 11: 00	Registration
Technical Session - II	
11:00 – 12:45	Seminar Paper Presentations: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Impact of corporate governance in bank performance (Pramila Shrestha) 2. Corporate governance failure in Lehman Brothers (Bikash Adhikari) 3. Shareholder activism and its impact in corporate governance (Mina Poudel) 4. Corporate governance and information disclosure (Rajendra Regmi) 5. Corporate governance in emerging nations (Urmila Thapa) 6. Ownership structure , corporate governance and firm value (Bipana Baral)
12:45 – 1:00	Break
1:00 – 2:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Different models of corporate governance and Nepalese experience (Dhurba Bhattarai) 8. Effect of corporate governance in the performance of Nepalese life insurance companies (Shushma Gurung) 9. Elements of corporate governance to manage risk and benchmark in Nepal (Suman Neupane) 10. Impact of board composition in corporate governance (Sangam Paudel)
2:00 – 2:30	Tea Break
Panel Session	
2.30 – 2: 45	Inauguration
2:45 – 3:45	<i>Seminar Paper Presentations</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. The role of independent directors in corporate governance (Ritu Banstola) 12. Cloud governance: New paradigm of corporate governance (Bikash Tripathi) 13. Role of CEO duality and Tenure on corporate governance practices (Parbata Acharya Khatri) 14. Comparative analysis of corporate governance guidelines in Asian countries (Sanjay Khadka)
3:45 – 4:45	Speeches from Guest Speakers
4:45 – 5:00	Break
5:00 – 6:30	Valedictory and Dinner