

Governance Structure & Importance of Ethics

AAT Level IIIFAR - Financial Reporting

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Governance Structures

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The Management controls an organization, on behalf of its owners

■ Stewardship Theory

To achieve organizational objectives, the management prepares

- Policies
- Procedures
- Values
- Plans

Different Governance Structures are followed for this purpose.

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Policy Boards Administrative Boards Formulates policies Administers organizations through committees and employees Sandeepa Jayasekera - JMC Administers Organizations through committees and employees

Minimum contents of a Governance Structure

Board

To provide supervision of objectives

Nomination Committee

Independent committee that ensures suitable persons are selected for the Board

Audit Committee

Oversee an organization in complying with rules and regulations

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New Trends in Accounting

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Cloud Computing

Digitalization

Outsourcing

Big Data

New Monitoring

Globalization of Reporting Standards

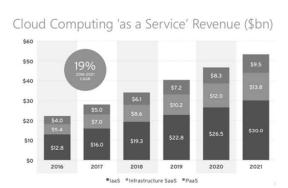
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Cloud Computing

- Renting out the applications, networking to storage from a cloud service provider
- Paying for the usage
- Avoid expenses on setting up own applications and storage
- Data security threat can be there



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Big Data Analytics

- Complex process of analyzing big volume of data to uncover
 - Hidden patterns
 - Correlations
 - Market trends
 - Customer preferences
 - Anomalies
- This helps organizations to make better informed decisions

- Data captured from
 - Internet clickstream data
 - Web server logs
 - Cloud applications
 - Mobile applications
 - Social media content
 - Customer emails and survey information
 - Mobil phone records
 - Machine data captured by sensors

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Outsourcing

- Certain job functions getting done by a third party
- Benefits
 - Low cost
 - Flexibility
 - Access to skilled resources
 - Focus on core business
 - Reduced investments in infrastructure
- Risks
 - Lack of control
 - Time zone
 - Cultural barriers
 - Lack of business knowledge

- Examples
 - BPO Business Process Outsourcing
 - Fiverr
 - Upwork
 - Guru
 - Freelancer

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Ethics in Accounting

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Independence and Objectivity

Being unbiased and free from pre-judgements

Integrity

Providing accurate and complete information, while agreeing with one's conscience

Confidentiality

Not disclosing sensitive information to third parties

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Competence

Maintaining professional knowledge and skill at the level required to perform the accounting service

Professional Behaviour

Behaving in compliance with relevant professional regulations

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Integrated Reporting

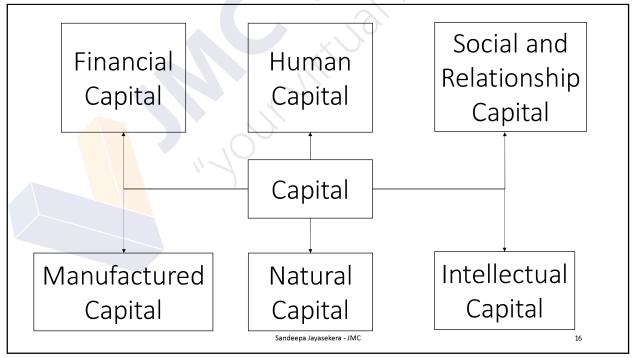
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The process that reports the total capital contribution and the total value creation process to decision makers by going beyond traditional financial capital

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Objective of Integrated Reporting?

Organization's total value creation process

Total Value Created

To Stakeholders

Reporting

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