Summary of the Thesis

The chapter plan of the study is so designed that the whole study is comprehensively covered in six chapters. The chapter plan is as follows:

**Chapter I** presents background of the research undertaken along with the purpose of carrying out the study. It explains the problem statements and the objectives set accordingly to conduct the research are put up. The chapter talks about hypotheses, scope and significance of the study. Finally the limitations of the study have been presented.

**Chapter II** gives a brief survey of literature related to various aspects of corporate social responsibility with previous published research details. Theoretical framework on the various dimensions of CSR has been discussed.

**Chapter III** presents the conceptual development of CSR with respect to international and national contexts especially highlighting the current state of CSR in India and its relevance in the Indian business structure have been presented. CSR under Section 135 of the Company Act has been explained in this chapter. The later section of this chapter highlights the profile of Large Manufacturing Industries of India and Pune region of Maharashtra selected for the study.

**Chapter IV** discusses research design of the study in detail. It defines the conceptual model of the research along with the sources of data collection. The target respondents’ profiles are discussed. The chapter focuses on sampling techniques and procedure. The questionnaire designing is explained with the content and context validity of the questionnaire. The details of pilot study and its reliability analysis are explained. Finally the chapter further outlines statistical tools and research models applied to test the research hypothesis and achieve research objectives.

**Chapter V** outlines the data analysis and hypothesis testing in detail with all the relevant statistical tests. The various statistical tests for testing and validating the hypotheses included in this research thesis are Pearson correlation, Regression Statistics, Chi-square and Mann-Whitney test.

**Chapter VI** which represent the interpretation of the research results along with research findings, suggestions, conclusion and scope of future research