

HUMAN RIGHTS

Programme Structure

Course Code	Course Title	Lectures (L) Hours per week	Tutorial (T) Hours per week	Practical (P) Hours per week	Total Credits
LAW2152	Concept and Theoretical Understanding of Human Rights	3	-	-	3
LAW2252	Systems, Organizations and Instruments of Human Rights	3	-	-	3
LAW2352	Contemporary Human Rights Situations and Issues	3	-	-	3
LAW2452	Specific Themes in Human Rights	3	-	-	3
LAW2552	Legislation Themes in Human Rights	3	-	-	3
LAW2652	Report Writing and Thesis Preparation (Human Rights)	3	-	-	3
	TOTAL				18

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Syllabus - Semester First

CONCEPT AND THEORETICAL UNDERSTANDING OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Course Code: LAW2152

Credit Units: 03

Module-I: Introduction

History of Human Rights-17th-18th century-19th century-20th century- pre world wars- Post world wars- Philosophy of Human rights

Module-II: Principle and Theories of Human Rights

Classification of human rights- Three generations-Nature of Human rights- Legal Theories related to Human Rights- Legal documents related to Human Rights before the Second World War

Module-III: International Protection of Human Rights

Failure of League of Nations- United Nations Organisation- UN Charter- UN system and organs of the UN-Universal Declaration of Human Rights- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) - the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)

Module-IV: Implementation of Human Rights at the International Level

Human Rights Council of the UN- Committees and organs protecting Human Rights- Role of UN General Assembly and Security Council – Individual Communication system

Examination Scheme:

Components	P/S/V	CT	A	C	EE
Weightage (%)	10	10	5	5	70

Syllabus - Semester Second

SYSTEM, ORGANIZATIONAL AND INSTRUMENTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Course Code: LAW2252

Credit Units: 03

Module-I: UN and other Regional Organisation for the Protection of Human Rights

UN system of protection of Human Rights- EU and Human Rights- Protection under the Inter American System- African Charter – Arab Charter- Cultural Relativism and Universalism

Module-II: International Documents Related to Human Rights

Genocide Convention-Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) - Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (CERD)- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)- Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)-United Nations Convention Against Torture (CAT)- International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families

Module-III: Basic Human Rights under the International Documents

Three generations of Rights- First generation Rights- Right to Equality- Right to life- Right to Speech- Freedom of Religion- Freedom from Torture

Module-IV: Second and Third generations of Rights

Rights related to dignity of individuals- Right to education- Right to food- Right to work-Right to livelihood- Right to Self Determination- Right to development- Rights of Indigenous people

Examination Scheme:

Components	P/S/V	CT	A	C	EE
Weightage (%)	10	10	5	5	70

Syllabus - Semester Third

CONTEMPORARY HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATIONS AND ISSUES

Course Code: LAW2352

Credit Units: 03

Module-I: Indian Constitution and Human Rights

Concept of State- Concept of Law- Just fair and reasonableness- Fundamental Rights and Human Rights

Module-II: Fundamental Rights and International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)

Right to Equality- Right to Freedom- - Right to Life- Freedom of Religion- Rights of Minorities- Right to Constitutional Remedies- Judicial pronouncement of the Courts in India

Module-III: Directive principles of State Policy and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)

Resources of a country and Implementation of Second Generation Rights- Positive Rights and negative rights- Enumerated Rights and Non Enumerated Rights-Directive principles of State Policy- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)

Module-IV: Protection of Human Rights in India

Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993- National Human Rights Commission and State Commissions- Woman's Commission- Minority Commission- SC/ST Commission- Police atrocities- Violations against woman and other weaker sections- Role of NGOs- Human Rights education

Examination Scheme:

Components	P/S/V	CT	A	C	EE
Weightage (%)	10	10	5	5	70

Syllabus - Semester Fourth

SPECIFIC THEMES IN HUMAN RIGHTS

Course Code: LAW2452

Credit Units: 03

Module-I: Morality, Ethics, Religion and Human Rights

Module-II: Terrorism and Human Rights

Module-III: Science and Technology and Human Rights

Module-IV: Human Rights of the Marginalized People

Rights of the Refugees- Prisoners of war- Under trials- Rights of the Differently abled- Sexual Minorities and Human Rights- HIV/AIDS- Access to Medicine- Protection of persons from enforced disappearance- Right against corruption- Right to development-Right to clean Environment

Examination Scheme:

Components	P/S/V	CT	A	C	EE
Weightage (%)	10	10	5	5	70

Syllabus - Semester Fifth

LEGISLATION THEMES IN HUMAN RIGHTS

Course Code: LAW2552

Credit Units: 03

Module-I: Regional Human Rights Legislations

Module-II: National Human Rights Legislations

Module-III: Role of Judiciary-judicial Activism and P.I.L

Module-IV: Specific Human Rights issues in India and Role of legislation and Judiciary

Examination Scheme:

Components	P/S/V	CT	A	C	EE
Weightage (%)	10	10	5	5	70

Syllabus - Semester Sixth

REPORT WRITING AND THESIS PREPARATION

Course Code: LAW2652

Credit Units: 03

- 1- Field Report
- 2- Term Paper/ Study Report
- 3- Viva

Examination Scheme:

Components	Field Report	Term Paper/ Study Report	Viva	Total
Weightage (%)	20	50	30	100

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