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(SEMESTER: I-II)

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	Semester – I							
Paper/ Course No.	Title of The Course	Credits		Total Credits	Mid Sem. Marks	End Sem. Marks	Total Marks	
		L	T	P				
Paper-I	Human Rights: Meaning,	3	0	0	3	20	80	100
	Nature and Scope							
Paper-II	International Conventions	3	0	0	3	20	80	100
	on Human Rights							
	Semester – II							
Paper/	Title of The Course	Credits			Total			
Course No.		L	T	P	Credits			
Paper-I	Human Rights: The	3	0	0	3	20	80	100
	Legislative Framework							
	and the Institutional							
	Mechanism in India							
Paper-II	Human Rights and	3	0	0	3	20	80	100
	Humanitarian Law							

Paper-I: Human Rights: Meaning, Nature and Scope

Theory: 3 periods per week Credits: 3-0-0 Time: 3 Hrs. Total Marks:100

Mid Semester Marks:20 End Semester Marks:80

Mid Semester Examination: 20% weightage End Semester Examination: 80% weightage

Instructions for the Paper Setters:

Eight questions of equal marks (Specified in the syllabus) are to be set, two in each of the four Sections (A-D). Questions may be subdivided into parts (not exceeding four). Candidates are required to attempt five questions, selecting at least one question from each Section. The fifth question may be attempted from any Section.

Section-A

Concept of Human Rights

- Types
- Sources.
- Classification of Rights

Section-B

Historical Development of Human Rights: National and International Perspective

- Human Rights Movements in India (Contributions of Raja Ram Mohan Rai, IshwarChanderVidyaSagar, B.R. Ambedkar and M.K. Gandhi).

Section-C

International Perspective

- The Magna Carta, 1215.
- The English Bill of Rights, 1689.
- The American Declaration of Independence, 1776.
- The French Declaration on the Right of Man and Citizen, 1789.

Section-D

International Standards for Protection of Human Rights:

- Customary International Law relating to Human Rights
- UN Mechanism for the Protection of Human Rights

Suggested Readings: -

- Durga Das Basu, Human Rights in Constitutional Law (New Delhi), prentice hall of India Pvt-Ltd. 1984.
- Jayna Kothari: The future of Disability Law in India (Oxford University Press, Delhi, 2012)
- 3. P.S. Jaswal and NishthaJaswal, Human Rights and the Law, APH Publishing Co., New Delhi, 1996.
- 4. Paras Diwan and PeeyushiDiwan, Human Rights and the Law, Deep & Deep Publications, New Delhi, 1996.
- 5. UpenderdBaxi, Human Right in A Post Human world: Critical Essays (Oxford University Press, 2007)
- 6. UpendraBaxi, Failure of Human Rights, (Oxford University Press, 2012)
- 7. VarunGauri, Daniel Brinks, Courting Social Justice; Judicial Enforcement of Social and Economic Rights in the Developing World (Cambridge University Press, 2005)

Paper - II: International Conventions on Human Rights

Theory: 3 periods per week Credits: 3-0-0
Time: 3 Hrs. Total Marks: 100

Mid Semester Marks:20

End Semester Marks:80

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Section-A

- Human Rights Provisions in the U.N. Charter, 1945.
- The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948.

Section-B

- The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, 1966.
- The International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 1966.
- Rights of Special Groups (International Perspective)

Section-C

Crimes against Humanity:

- Genocide
- Slavery
- Torture-
- Piracy
- Trafficking in Human Beings
- International Terrorism

Section-D

International Conventions on Human Rights:

- Convention on all forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), 1979.
- The Convention against Torture (CAT), 1984.
- The Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), 1984.

Suggested Readings

- 1. A.G. Norani (South Asian Human Rights Documentation Centres), Challenges in Civil Rights Guarantees in India (Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2012)
- 2. A.J.M. Milne, Human Rights and Human Diversity An Essay in the Philosophy of Human Rights (State University of New York Press, Albany, New York, 1986)
- 3. B.P.S. Sehgal (Ed), Human Rights in India: Problems and Perspectives Deep & Deep Publications, New Delhi, 1995.
- 4. B.S. Chimney, International Refugee Law: A Reader (Sage Publications, New Delhi, 2009)
- 5. B.S. Chimney, International Refugee Law: A Reader (Sage Publications, New Delhi 2000)
- Manoj Kumar Sinha, Implementation of Basic Human Rights, (Manak Publication Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 2012)

Paper – I: Human Rights: The Legislative Framework and the Institutional Mechanism in India

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Time: 3 Hrs. Total Marks:100

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Section-A

The Constitutional Provisions

- Preamble
- Fundamental Rights
- Statutory Enforcement of Human Rights in India

Section-B

- Directive Principles
- Fundamental Duties

Section-C

The Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993

- National Human Rights Commission
- State Human Rights Commission

Section-D

Establishment of Commissions

- Commissions for Women
- Schedule Caste
- Schedule Tribes
- Minorities and Children

Suggested Readings: -

- 1. P.S. Jaswal and NishthaJaswal, Human Rights and the Law, APH Publishing Co., New Delhi, 1996.
- 2. Paras Diwan and PeeyushiDiwan, Human Rights and the Law, Deep & Deep Publications, New Delhi, 1996.
- 3. RatnaKapur, Makeshift Migrants and Law: Gender Belonging and Post Colonial Anxieties, Rutledge India 2012.
- 4. S.K. Kapur, Human Rights under International Law and Indian Law (Central Law Agency, Allahabad 2001).
- 5. UpendraBaxi, Failure of Human Rights, (Oxford University Press, 2012)
- 6. V.S. Mani (Ed.) Handbook of International Humanitarian Law (Oxford University Press, 2007)

PAPER-II: Human Rights and Humanitarian Law

Theory: 3 periods per week Credits: 3-0-0

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Section-A

Concept of Human Rights:

- Human Rights in India:
- Judicial Activism and Protection of Human Rights in India.

Section-B

- Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights.

Section-C

- Meaning and Concept of Humanitarian Law.
- Refugees, Migrants and Internally Displaced Persons.

Section-D

- Geneva Conventions on the International Humanitarian Law.
- Additional Protocols to the Geneva Conventions on Humanitarian Law.

Suggested Readings:

- 1. David Keane, Caste Based Discrimination in Human Rights Law (Ashgate Publishing Limited, England 2007)
- 2. G.S. Bajwa, Human Rights in India: Implementation and Violations, Anmol Publications, New Delhi, 1995.
- 3. Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights National Human Rights Institutions: History, Principles, Rules and Responsibilities (United Nations Publications, 2010)
- 4. P.S. Jaswal and NishthaJaswal, Human Rights and the Law, APH Publishing Co., New Delhi, 1996.
- 5. Paras Diwan and PeeyushiDiwan, Human Rights and the Law, Deep & Deep Publications, New Delhi, 1996.
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