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#### **UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS**

#### M.L., Constitutional Law and Legal Order

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#### **REGULATION**

# M.L (CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AND LEGAL ORDER) FIRST SEMESTER

PSI C 501 - Law and Social Transformation - I

PSI C 502 - Law and Social Transformation - II

PSI C 503 - Introduction to International Law

PSI C 504 - Constitutionalism, Pluralism and Federalism

PSI E 501- Introduction to Constitution

PSI E 502 - Mass Media

UOM S 001 - Soft Skill

#### SECOND SEMESTER

- PSI C 505 Indian Constitutional Law The New Challenges I
- PSI C 506 Indian Constitutional Law The New Challenges II
- PSI c 507 Judicial Process
- PSI c 508 Public Utility Law
- PSI E 503 Private International Law
- PSI E 504 Environmental Law

UOM S 002 - Soft Skill

#### **THRID SEMESTER**

- PSI C 509 Research Methodology and Legal Education
- PSI C 510 Science Technology and Law
- PSI C 511 Union State Financial Relations
- PS1 E 505 National Security and Public Order
- PSI E 506 Human Rights
- UOM S 002 Soft Skill
- UOM I 001 Internship

#### **FOURTH SEMESTER**

- PSI C 512 Practical Training
- PSI C 513 Dissertation and Viva-voce
- PSI C 514 Introduction to IPR
- PSI E 507 Right to Information
- UOM S 002 Soft Skill

#### PSI E 501- INTRODUCTION TO CONSTITUTION

#### **UNIT I - INTRODUCTION**

Meaning of Constitution - Constitutional Law and Constitutionalism -Historical Development - The Government of India Act 1935 - -Nature of Indian Constitution – Salient Features of Indian Constitution - 'Preamble - State - Law - Fundamental Rights:-Equality - Double Jeopardy - Right. To Life -Right to Education - Directive Principles of State Policy- Fundamental Duties.

#### **UNIT II - LEGISLATURE**

Parliament - State Legislature - Legislative Procedures- Emergency Provisions - Amendment -- Basic Structure

#### **UNIT III- EXECUTIVE**

Union Government - President - Vice President - Prime Minster-Council of Ministers -State Government - Governor - Chief Minister- Council of Ministers - Election Commission.

#### **UNIT IV - JUDICIARY**

Jurisdiction of Supreme Court - Original, Appellate, Advisory and Writ Jurisdiction - High Courts - Comparison between Art.226 and Art.32 - Court of Record - Contempt of Court - Power to punish Contempt of Court- Tribunals

#### **UNIT V - FEDERAL PRINCIPLES**

Central State Relationship - Legislative, Financial and Administrative Relations - Full faith and Credit Clause - Disputes relating to water. -Cooperative Federalism - Freedom of Trade and Commerce- Judicial Interpretation of List - Doctrine of Repugnancy - Doctrine of Pith and Substance - Doctrine of Occupying Field.

- Dr.S.A.Karandikar & Dr.V.Bindu, Constitutional and Administrative Law, Arati & Co, Mumbai
- V.N.Shukla, Constitution of India, Eleventh Edition, Eastern Book Company
- H.M.Seervai, Constitutional Law of India, Universal Law Publishing Co
- M.P. Jain, Indian Constitutional Law, Lexis Nexis Butterworth .

#### PSI E 502- MASS MEDIA

#### **UNIT I - MASS MEDIA-TYPES OF MEDIA**

Definition of Mass Media - Kinds of Media - Technology and Media-Privatisation and growth of media.

#### **UNIT II- CONSTITUTION AND MEDIA**

Art.19 (1) (a) - Meaning of speech- Kinds of Speech-Compelled Speech-Hate Speech- Commercial Speech- Rights under this Article" Freedom of the Press- Laws of defamation- obscenity- tests for Obscenity, blasphemy and sedition- Penal Provisions, Press Council of India, Issues and Challenges of Print media-Influence of technology and LPG.

#### **UNIT III- FILMS AND FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND EXPRESSION**

Film as Media-H Cinematograph Act, 1952 - Mechanism under the

Act -Constitution- Power and function.

### <u>UNIT IV: RADIO, TELEVISIONS AND OTHER ELECTRONIC</u> <u>MEDIAS</u>

Government's power to Control theses Medias- Government Monopoly over this media- influence of LPG on these Medias- Cable T.V. regulations-Broadcasting Bill of India Information Technology Act- Internet and other social Media.

#### **UNIT V: LEGISLATURE AND JUDICIARY**

Power of Parliament to enact Laws - Seventh Schedule - Role of Judiciary and Media.

- Madhavi Goradia Divan, Facets of Media Law, Eastern Book Company
- Mark Pearson, Media Law, Allen & Unwin
- A Vikram Raghavan, Communications Law in India, Lexis Nexis Butterworths

#### PSI E 503 - PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW

#### **UNIT I - INTRODUCTION**

Scope and Nature - Definition – Theories - Historical Development of Private International Law - Relationship between Private International Law and Public International Law - Classification .

#### **UNIT II - DOMICILE**

Domicile, Nationality, Residence.-Concept of Renvoi and Double Renvoi - Jurisdiction of Courts- English land Indian Practice — Actions in personam -Partnership -Companies - Jurisdiction immunities under Indian Law and English Practice -Waiver of immunities under Indian Law and English Practice

#### UNIT III — FAMILY LAW

Family Law- Marriage - Matrimonial Causes, Legitimacy and Legitimation

#### **UNIT IV - SUCCESSION**

Adoption - Administration of estates -Succession- Guardianship and Custody

#### **UNIT V - JURISDICTION**

Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign judgement and 2 Arbitral Awards - Limitation on Jurisdiction

- Sir Peter North and J.J.Fawcett, Cheshire and North's Private International Law, Indian Edition, Oxford.
- A Lawyer's Handbook for Enforcing Judgments in the United States and Abroad, Robert E.Lutz, Cambridge.
- Atul TM Setalvad, Conflict of Laws, Lexis Nexis Butterworth
- Morris, The Conflict of Laws, Sixth Edition, Sweet & Maxwell Ltd
- Paras Diwan, Private International Law

#### PSI E 504 - ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

### **UNIT - I INTRODUCTION**

Dimensions of Environmental Problems - Meaning and definition of Environment and Pollution - Kinds of pollution - Sources and consequences of pollution - Significance of Environmental Law - Ancient Indian Philosophy relating to environment protection General rights and obligations of states

#### **UNIT - II PROTECTIVE LAWS**

Primary Protective Laws- - Water Act, 1974 - Air Act, 1981 Environment (Protection) Act 1-972 and Forest Act,1927 and Forest Conservation Act, 1980 - Biodiversity Act, 2002 - Secondary Laws - Noise Pollution Regulations -Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) - waste management (Solid wastes, hazardous wastes, bio-medical wastes, CRZ Notification).

### UNIT - III GENERAL LAWS

Common Law & Criminal- Law Remedies for Environmental Problems -Nuisance, Negligence, strict liability and absolute liability - Provisions of IPC relating to environmental problems

### **UNIT - IV JUDICIARY AND ENVIRONMENT**

Judicial Activism and Environment - Public interest litigation for environmental protection - landmark Judgments - Constitutional Provisions -Common Law & Criminal Law Remedies for Environmental Problems

### **UNIT - V INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION**

General Issues of the International Law Related To Environmental Protection - International Environmental Law - Development of International Environmental Law – Source and General principals of International Environmental Law International Law and Environmental Protection – Stockholm Conference 1972 - Rio summit, 1992 — UNEP - WSSD, 2002 -Trail Smelter Arbitration - conflict between environment and development, Concept of Sustainable Development – polluter pay principle

#### PRESCRIBED BOOKS

S.C.Sastry, Environmental Law

- Tiwari, Environmental Law
- S.Shanta Kumar, Environmental Law
- Armin Rosencranz, Shyam Divan, Martha L. Noble: Environmental Law
- Leela Krishna, P, the Evolving Environmental Law and Policy in India

• Paras Diwan, Environmental Law, Policy, Administration

## <u>PSI C 505- INDIAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW - THE NEW</u> <u>CHALLENGES- I</u>

### UNIT I - FEDERALISM

Creation of new states, Allocation and share of resources - Distribution of grants-in aid, - The inter-state disputes on resources - Rehabilitation of internally displaced persons - Centre's responsibility and internal disturbance within states - Direction of the Centre to the State under Article 356 and 365, Federal Comity-Relationship of trust and faith between Centre and State, Special status of certain States, Tribal Areas, Scheduled Areas, Boundary disputes - Deployment of security forces etc.

#### **UNIT II- SEPARATION OF POWER**

Doctrine of Separation of Powers and checks and balances - Constitutional framework-Judicial interpretation and practice, judicial activism and judicial restraining - .PIL Implementation-Judicial autonomy and independence, accountability- Judicial Self Restraint.

#### **UNIT III- THE EXECUTIVE**

Constitutional status, Powers and functions of the President, Governor-Appointment of Governor- Council of minister- Collective Responsibility.

### **UNIT IV - THE LEGISLATURE**

Parliament Legislative Privilege - Nature and Extent - Scope and Limitation on privileges

### **UNIT V- THE JUDICIARY**

Appointment of Supreme Court and High Court Judges - Constitutional provisions - Judicial Accountability- Independence of Judiciary -Contemporary Developments - Subordinate Judiciary

#### UNIT VI- GOOD GOVERNANCE

Principle of good governance- Administrative responsibility and accountability-Liability of the state in Torts-Constitutional Torts and Compensatory Jurisprudence.

- Granville Austin, Working a Democratic Constitution, Oxford University Press
- V.N.Shukla, 'Constitution of India, Eleventh Edition, Eastern Book Company.
- H.M.Seervai, Constitutional Law of India, Universal Law Publishing Co
- M.P. Jain, Indian Constitutional Law, Lexis Nexis Butterworth

## PSI C 506 J - INDIAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW — THE NEW

## CHALLENGES-II

## **UNIT 1- FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS**

Definition of 'State'-Need for widening the definition in the Wake of liberalization - Right to equality: Privatization and its impact on affirmative action - Empowerment of Women - Religious freedom - Secularism -. Right of minorities to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice.

### **UNIT II- EMERGING REGIME OF NEW RIGHTS AND REMEDIES**

Compensatory jurisprudence- Right to education - Commercialisation of education and its impact - Brain drain by foreign education market.

### UNIT III- DIRECTIVE PRINCIPLES OF STATE POLICY

Reading Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties into Fundamental Rights -Implementation of International Obligation: Human Rights, Environmental protection and International trade<sup>4</sup>.

## UNIT IV- DEMOCRATIC PROCESS

Nexus of politics with criminals - Democratic process - Election commission Status - Electoral Reforms – Coalition Government stability, durability -Corrupt practice.

## **UNIT V- FREEDOM OF PRESS AND TECHNOLOGY**

Freedom of speech and right to broadcast and telecast - Information Technology- Internet- Cyber defamation- Privacy and Electronic Media -Commercial Speech - Trial by Media

- M P Jain, Indian Constitutional Law, Lexis Nexis Buttersworth,
- Granville Austin, Working a Democratic Constitution, Oxford University Press
- V.N.Shukla, Constitution of India, Eleventh Edition, Eastern Book Company
- H.M.Seervai, Constitutional Law of India, Universal Law Publishing Co
- M.P. Iain, Indian Constitutional Law, Lexis Nexis Butterworth

## PSI C 507 -JUDICIAL PROCESS

## **UNIT I: NATURE OF JUDICIAL PROCESS.**

Judicial process as an instrument of social ordering- Judicial process and creativity in common law model-Legal Reasoning and growth of law-change and stability, The tools and techniques ' of judicial creativity, Precedent-Kinds of Precedent-Obiter-Dicta- -Subsilentio-Per incuriam- Communis error Facit ius- Finding Ratio of a case

## UNIT II: JUDICIAL PROCESS IN INDIA

Concept of Judicial Review- Review in Constitutional adjudication- Tools and techniques in policy making and creativity in constitutional adjudication-Judicial activism- Judicial self-restraint - Scope and limits- Problems of accountability -The independence of judiciary- Prospective over ruling

## **UNIT III: THE CONCEPTS OF JUSTICE**

The concept of justice or Dharma in Indian thought, Dharma as the foundation of legal ordering in Indian thought, the concept and various theories of justice in the western thought, Various theoretical' bases of justice-the liberal. Contractual tradition, the liberal utilitarian tradition and the liberal moral tradition.

## **UNIT IV: RELATION BETWEEN LAW AND JUSTICE**

Equivalence Theories-Justice as nothing more than the positive law of the stronger class, Dependency theories-For its realization justice depends on law, but justice is not the same as law, the independence of justice theories-means to end relationship of law and justice-the relationship in the context of the Indian Constitutional ordering, Analysis of selected cases of the Supreme Court where the judicial process can be seen as influenced by theories of justice- Idea of Justice.

- Julius. Stone, The Province and Function of Law, 2000 Universal, New Delhi
- Cardozo, The Nature of Judicial Process, 1995 Universal, New Delhi
- Henry J. Abraham, The Judicial Process, 1998, Oxford.

• J. Stone, Precedent and the Law-Dynamics of Common Law Growth, 1985

### PSI C 508 - PUBLIC UTILITY LAW

### **UNIT I - PUBLIC UTILITIES AND ITS IMPACT**

Government machineries and functioning - Impact of failure of Public Utility Service- Railways, Electricity, Gas, Road Transport, telephone, post and telegraph services, Police, Fire Brigade, Hospital etc.- Growth and evolution of public utilities and their legislation- Concept Essential services.

### **UNIT II - PUBLIC UTILITIES AND FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS-**

The Right to equality: the Airhostess case -Are Public utilities and the concept of State under article 12 of the Constitution Public Utilities under changing market strategies-Liberalization & Privatization- Liabilities and special privileges of public utilities - In contract- In tort- In Criminal law.

### **UNIT III - PUBLIC UTILITIES AND GOVERNMENT MONOPOLY**

Government and Parliamentary Control - Strategies to deal with dispute in Public Utility Services- Constitutional Division of power to legislate.

### **UNIT IV - UTILITIES LEGISLATION AND FAIR HEARING**

Patterns of Administrative L Authorities - Structure of the Administrative -Authorities-Delegated Legislation- Subordinate legislation- Public Utilities and Fair Rearing- Quasi-judicial Decision - Administrative Discretion- Judicial approach

### **UNIT V- PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CONSUMER PROTECTION**

Exclusion from M.R.T.P. Act- Rights of consumers protected by the Consumer Protection Act, 1986- Rights Arising from law of Contract and law of Torts - Public Utilities and their Employees: Application of Articles 16, Art 19 and 311- Public Interest vis-a-vis Right to Strike - Emerging trends.

- C K Takwani, Lectures on Administrative Law,
- P L Malik, Industrial Law, Eastern Book Company,
- H.M.Seervai\_, Constitutional Law of India, 1996 '
- M.P.Jain, India Constitutional Law, Lexis Nexis Butterworth.

# PSI C 509 - RESEARCH METHODOLOGY 8: LEGAL

## **EDUCATION**

# <u>UNIT I</u>

Meaning of -Research- Legal research, Scientific Method-Kinds of Research: Socio-legal research, Doctrinal and non-doctrinal research, Quantitative and Qualitative research & Relevance of empirical research.

# <u>UNIT II</u>

Formulation of research problem - Tools and techniques of data collection-Use of questionnaire and interview- Use of case study-Jurimetrics

## <u>UNIT III</u>

Sampling procedure-design of sample, types of sample to be adopted-Classification and tabulation of data- Analysis of data- Art of thesis writing. \_

## <u>UNIT IV</u>

Legal Education - Objectives of Legal Education – Lecture Method of Teaching - Merits and demerits - The Problem Method - Discussion method and its' suitability at postgraduate level teaching - The Seminar Method of teaching -Examination system and problems in evaluation – external and internal assessment- Student participation in law school programmes - Organisation of Seminars, publication of journal and assessment of teachers

## <u>UNIT V</u>

Clinical legal education - legal aid, legal literacy, legal survey and law reform¢ Technology and Legal education-formal and informal legal education- Case study method- Head note writing- case Comments.

- High Brayal, Nigel Dunean and Richard Crimes,
- Clinical Lega.l Education: Active Learning in Your Law school, (1998)
- Blackstone Press Limited, London, S.K.Agrawal (ed.),
- Legal Education in India (1973), Tripathi, Bombay,
- N.R.Madhava Menon, (ed.) A Handbook of Clinical

- Legal Education, (1988) Eastern Book Company, Lacknow,
- M.O.Price, H.Bitner and Bysiewiez, Effective Legal Research (1978), Pauline V.Young, Scientific Social Survey and research, (1962) 1
- William I. Grade and Paul K.Hatt, Methods in Social Research, MC C-raw-Hill Book Company, London,
- H.M.Hyman, Interviewing in Social Research (1965), Erwin C. Surrency, B.Fielfand J.Crea, A Guide to Legal Research (1959)

## PSI C 510 - SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY AND LAW

# <u>UNIT I</u>

Science and Technology-Modernization Concepts in Science and Technology-Interrelationship of Law, Science and Technology-Conflicts-Impact of Science & Technology on Law and Rights-Science Technology and Law as an instrument of social change '

# <u>UNIT II</u>

Intellectual Property Rights-Competition Law-Anti Competitive Agreement -Anti Trust and unfair Trade Practice Regulation- Technology and Criminology-Regional Co-operation and Municipal Legislation- use and abuse of Science Technology

## <u>UNIT III</u>

Fundamental Rights and Science Technology development- Right to privacy-Right to reputation-Right to health-Right to environment and Scientific Development - Directive Principles of State Policy - Science Technology Judicial Response

## <u>UNIT IV</u>

Bio-Diversity-Meaning-Need for protection of Bio-Diversity-Biologic Diversity Convention - Biological Diversity Act, 2002- Legal and Bio-Safety-Protection of Living organisms -Bio-Paternity- Nayoga Protocol-BRAI Bills if

## <u>UNIT V</u>

Genetic Engineering-Development Projects and Destruction of Bio-Diversity-Concept of Sustainable Development-Legal framework for protection of plants, Animal products- Protection of sanctuaries, Parks and Zoos.

- Markandey Katju, Law in the Scientific Era (2000), Universal, New Delhi
- Philip Grubb, Patents for Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology (1999) Oxford
- Steven D Anderman, The Interface between Intellectual Property Rights

### PSI E 506 - HUMAN RIGHTS

#### **UNIT I - DEFINITION, MEANING AND SCOPE OF HUMAN RIGHTS**

Meaning of Rights - Human Rights as Natural and Moral Rights - Theories - Philosophical Justification - Human Rights and Duties - Three Generations of Human Rights.

### <u>UNIT II - INTERNATIONAL BILL OF RIGHTS AND CORE</u> <u>INSTRUMENTS</u>

Legal Status Of UDHR, ICCPR, ICESCR And Additional Protocols -UN Core Conventions Relating to Children, Women, Racial Discrimination, Disabled And Migrant Labour – Human Rights Monitoring Under Treaty Systems - Refugee Law - Abolition Of Death Penalty.

### **UNIT III - HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONSTITUTION**

Fundamental Rights as Human - Directive Principles and Human Rights to Further the Scope of Fundamental Rights - Right To Vote, Democracy, Rule Of Law and Good Governance - Freedom Of Press and Information - Right to Property - Judiciary and Human Rights - Right to Life and Euthanasia.

#### **UNIT IV - NATIONAL AND STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSIONS**

Human Rights Act, 1993 - Powers and Functions of NHRC and SHRC – Suo-Moto Power - Procedures of NHRC and SHRC - Human Rights Courts.

- M.J. Akbar, Riots after Riots, 1988.
- U. Baxi, The Crisis of the Indian Legal System, 1982.
- F. Kazmi, Human Rights, 1987.
- L. Levin, Human Rights, 1982.
- H. Beddard, Human Rights and Europe, 1980.
- Nagendra Singh, Human Rights and International Co-operation, 1969.
- S. C. Kashyap, Human Rights and Parliament, 1978.
- Moskowitz, Human Rights and World Order, 1958.
- J. A. Andrews, Human Rights in International Law, 1986.

### PSI C 511 - UNION STATE FINANCIAL RELATIONS

## <u>UNIT I</u>

Models of Federal Government - U.S.A., Australia, and Canada - Difference, between Federation and Confederation- Evolution of federal government in India- Colonial Impact on distribution of power Indian Federalism - Model for Indigenous suitability, requisite and stability.

### <u>UNIT II</u>

Scheme of Allocation of taxing power - Extent of Union power of taxation - Residuary power - inclusion of fiscal power – Tax reforms.

### <u>UNIT III</u>

Fundamental Rights- Inter-Government tax immunities- Difference between tax and fee - Tax-sharing under the Constitution- Finance Commission - Specific purpose grants (Article-282) - Role of Extra-constitutional Agencies – Planning Commission.

### UNIT IV

Source of borrowing - National and International-Borrowing by the Government of India- Borrowing by the States - Limitation -Freedom of Inter-State trade and Commerce- Restrictions on legislative power of the Union and States will trade and commerce-State Monopoly v. Barriers free trade, commerce and-occupation Constitutional provisions.

### <u>UNIT V</u>

Planning Commission- National Development Council- Plan grants - Cooperative Federalism - Full faith and credit. Inter - State Council - Zonal Councils - Inter-State disputes.

- Chandrapal, Centre-State Relations and Cooperative Federalism, Chs 5 and 8 (1983)
- G. C. V. Subba Rao, Legislative Powers in Indian Constitution Law,
- Constitutional Assembly Debates Vol. 10, 325-342 Administrative Reforms Commission, Report of the Study Team on Central-State Relationship (1967) Vol. I, Sections land 11, pp. IS-168

- L.M. Singhavi (ed.), Union-State Relations in India 124 154 (1969)
- D.T. Lakadwala, Union-State Financial Relations.

## PSI C 513 - DISSERTATION AND VIVA – VOCE

## PSI C 514 - INTRODUCTION TO IPR

### UNIT I - INTRODUCTION

Concept of Rights and Duties – Meaning of Property – Kinds of Property – Concept Intellectual Property – Kinds of Intellectual Property – Economic importance of Intellectual Property – Theories of Intellectual Property.

### UNIT II - PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Indian Theory on Private Property – Constitutional Aspects of Property – Constitutional Protection of Property and IP – GATT / WTO – framework for International Trade, The World Intellectual Property Rights Organization (WIPO) – TRIPS and other Relevant International Conventions.

### UNIT III - LAW OF PATENTS

Inventions – Distinction from Discovery and Inventions – Test of Novelty – Patentable Inventions – Exceptions from Patenting – Patenting of Bio-Technology and Computer Programmes – Rights of Patent Owner – Parallel Import – Compulsory Licensing – Permissible Use without Authorization – Government use – Protection of Public Interest – Infringement and remedies.

### UNIT IV - LAW OF COPY RIGHTS

Historical developments of Copy Rights - Registration – Rights of Registered user – Exception of Registration – Public Domain – Rights of Owner – Government Use – Infringement of Copy Rights – Literary Works – Dramatic Work – Rights of First Owner.

### UNIT V - TRADE MARK AND OTHER IPRs

Concept of Distinctiveness – Registration – Exception from Definition – Advertisement – Geographical Indication – Definition of Goods – Territory and Locality – Quality or Reputation – Register Proprietor – Cancellation – Rectification – Correction – Infringement – Authorised user – Remedies – Offence and Penalties – Recent Development in IPR - Bio-Patents – Protection of Traditional Knowledge

## **Prescribed Books**

- Hyde William Cornish, Intellectual Property Right, Global Vision Publishing House – New Delhi – 2011
- Dr.Raghbir Singh, Law Relating to Intellectual Property, Universal Law Publishing, New Delhi, 2008
- P.Narayanan, Patent Law, Eastern Law House, New Delhi, 2006
- P.Narayanan, Law of Copy Right and Industrial Design, Eastern Law House, New Delhi, 2006
- Sarkar on Trade Marks, Kamal House, Kolkatta, 2008
- Latha R Nair & Rajendra Kumar, Geographical Indications, Butterworth 2005

# PSI E 507 - RIGHT TO INFORMATION

## UNIT I

Right to Information: Concept – History – Meaning – Scope and Significance – Jurisprudential and Philosophical foundations – Constitutional, Legal and Human Rights perspective – Kharak Singh Case, Gobind Case, Raj Narain Case, S.P.Gupta v. Union of India – Freedom of Information Act, 2002

## UNIT II

Doctrine of Public Interest and RTI – Public Accountability – Good Governance and RTI – Role of NGOs to make RTI.

## UNIT III

E-Governance – Enhancing the efficacy of RTI through E-Governance – Recent Developments

## UNIT IV

Right to Information Act, 2005: Policy parameters – Objectives, Obstacles and Challenges – Rights of Citizen for obtaining the information in Democratic Country – Duty of Public Authorities – Procedure to obtain the Information and further Appeal.

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- Prof. (Dr.) S.V.Joga Rao, Law Relating to Right to Information, Pentagon Press, New Delhi.
- P.K.Saini and R.K.Gupta, Right to Information Act, 2005 Implementation and Challenges, Deep & Deep Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi.

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