

COURSE IV. HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDIA

Course Rationale: The purpose of the course is to inculcate a comprehensive knowledge of the concept of Human Rights in the Indian context. For that, the course provides structure of the Indian constitution as well as it provides a better understanding of the origin, evolution of rights and various steps taken by the national and international agencies for the protection and promotion of the Human Rights. This course also aims at comprehensive knowledge of the concept in the Indian context through dealing with various Human Rights movements. It also deals with the problems confronted by the marginalised sections in the Indian context.

Module I

- I. Meaning of Human Rights.
- II. Evolution of Human Rights.
- III. Approaches to Human Rights.

(25 Hours)

Module II

- I. The International Covenants on Human Rights.
- ii. The UDHR, the International Covenant on Civil, Economic and Political Rights.
- III. International Covenants on Women Children and Minorities.

(20 Hours)

Module III

- I. Human Rights in India.
- II. Constitutional provisions; Fundamental Rights; Directive principles of State Policy.
- III. Public Interest Litigation; Right to information Act; Protection of Civil Rights Act;
- IV. National/State Human Rights Commissions.

(25 Hours)

Module IV

- i. Human Rights protection movements.
- ii. Amnesty International/Human Rights Watch/People's Union for Civil Liberties.
- iii. Human Rights and Dalits.

(20 Hours)

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