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SEMESTER-III HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDIA PG III POL C 03

No of Credits-4

No of Contact Hours- 90

Course Rationale The course facilitates the study of the concept of Human Rights, its origin and development, with special reference to India in the context of the Constitution and other laws. It also focuses on the rights of the marginalized groups, Public Interest Litigation, environment and Human Rights, new dimensions to Human Rights jurisprudence and legal protections available for the protection and promotion of Human Rights.

Module I -Concept of Human Rights (20 Hours) Origin –Meaning and Historical Development-Notion of Human Right in Ancient India-Different Approaches to Human Rights-Liberal – Marxian-Third World and Feminists-First, Second and Third Generation of Human Rights.

Module II -Role of UN in the protection of Human Rights (15 Hours) UDHR- International Covenants- Rights of the Child-Refugees and displaced persons, under trials, prisoners, people with disability, Minorities and Women

Module III-Fundamental Rights and Legal Framework in India (20 Hours) Fundamental Rights-Directive Principles of State Policy- Preamble-Issues and Challenges-Human Rights and Marginalized Sections, Protection of the Human Rights Act -1993

Module IV – Institutional Mechanisms of Human Rights Protection (20 Hours) Judiciary and Human Rights in India-Judicial Review-Judicial Activism –PIL-NHRC-SHRC-Human Rights Courts.

Module –V - Social Movements and Human Rights(15 Hours) New Social movements, Environment Movements- Dalits and Adivasi Movements-Movements for women and children – Role of NGO’s , Civil Society and human Rights, Media, Public Opinion and Human Rights

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SEMESTER -IV ENVIRONMENT AND POLITICS: NATIONAL AND GLOBAL POLICIES PG IV POL E 03

No of Credits-3

No of Contact Hours- 90

Course Rationale The focus of the course is on environmental problems, policies and practices and how governmental, non-governmental and International institutions have sought to tackle them. It takes an approach that delineates the global contexts as well as the political situation at the level of state in India. The final section is also devoted to comprehending India's environmental policy with a focus on certain specific cases.

Module I -Environment and Development (20 Hours) Theories of Environment (Political Ecology, Sustainable Development and Eco feminism) Emergence of Environmental Problems- Depletion of Resources, Pollution of Resources, Global Warming, Desertification and Problems of waste Disposal Environmental Performance Indicators

Module II-From Economic Development to Sustainable Development (15 Hours) Alternative vision of Development in West and Third World

Module III -From Politics of Domination to Politics of Participation (20Hours) Participatory Democratic Process for Environmental Protection Emergence of the „Greens“ - Environmental Activist and Advocacy Groups in India

Module IV -International Organizations and Green Politics (15 Hours) UN and UNEP, UNCED Conferences 1972 Review of Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit 1992 to Paris Summit 2015 Conventions on Bio-diversity

Module V-Environmental Governance in India (20 Hours) India's Environmental Policy – National Structures (Committees: Environmental Impact Assessment Committees and Pollution Control Boards, Dept of Environment (DoE), Ministry of Forest and Environment (MFE)) 45 The Context of Green Tribunals Act (2010)/ The Forest Rights Acts (2006) and the political context

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