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FACULTY OF ARTS

SYLLABI

FOR

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA
IN
HUMAN RIGHTS AND DUTIES
(THROUGH UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF OPEN LEARNING)
EXAMINATIONS, 2014**

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OUTLINES OF TESTS, SYLLABI AND COURSES OF READING FOR POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HUMAN RIGHTS AND DUTIES (THROUGH UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF OPEN LEARNING) FOR THE EXAMINATIONS OF 2014.

| | <u>TITLE OF THE PAPERS</u> | <u>EXAM. MARKS</u> | <u>INT. ASS.</u> | <u>TOTAL MARKS</u> |
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| Paper I | Fundamentals of Human Rights and Duties | 80 | 20 | 100 |
| Paper II | Human Rights Theory and Practice: International Scenario | 80 | 20 | 100 |
| Paper III | Human Rights Theory and Practice: The Indian Context | 80 | 20 | 100 |
| Paper IV | Project Report based on Field Work | 80 | 20 | 100 |

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PAPER: PROJECT REPORT AND EVALUATORS

1. Marks for written papers: 80 and Maximum Marks for Project Report: 100 (80 for the Project Report and 20 for Report Presentation)
2. The emphasis of this course is not to test the legal knowledge/accuracy of the candidates but to assess their basic understanding of Hum

PAPER I: FUNDAMENTALS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DUTIES

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABOVE - EXERCISES AND THE CANDIDATE

1. In all, NINE questions are to be set.
2. The first question covering the entire syllabus is compulsory comprising 10 short answer questions, all of which have to be attempted. **(2x10=20 marks)**
3. The remaining essay type questions (Questions 2-9) must comprise Two questions

UNIT IV

General Problems Relating to Human Rights

Poverty and illiteracy

Discrimination (caste, class, gender)

Ecological degradation

Social and Cultural problems: patriarchy, female feticide, domestic violence

ESSENTIAL READINGS

Baxi, Upendra (2002) *Human Rights in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Chandra, U. (2012) *Human Rights in India*. Allahabad Law Agency.

Dube, M. P. and Neeta Bora, (ed.) (2000) *Human Rights in India*. New Delhi: Anamika Publishers.

PAPER II: HUMAN RIGHTS THEORY AND PRACTICE: INTERNATIONAL SCENARIO

Time: 3 Hours

IN C I O N F O H E A E - E E A N D H E C A N D I D A E

1. In all, NINE questions are to be set.
2. The first question covering the entire syllabus is compulsory comprising 10 short answer questions, all of which have to be attempted. **(2x10=20 marks)**
3. The remaining essay type questions (Questions 2-9) must comprise Two questions from each unit with internal choice. **(4x15=60 marks)**
4. The paper-setter must keep in mind that the emphasis of this course is not to test the legal knowledge/accuracy of the candidates but to assess their basic understanding of Human Rights and Duties

Objectives: The paper provides the description of a) international standards; b) international mechanisms; and c) human rights practice in the international context.

UNIT I

International Standards – I

- Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948)
- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966)
- International Covenant on Social, Cultural and Economic Rights (1966)
- Optional Protocols

UNIT II

International Standards – II

- International Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD)
- Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)
- Convention on Rights of Child (CRC)
- Convention on Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide

UNIT III

International Mechanisms

- The UN Commission
- The European Commission
- The American Commission

UNIT IV

Practice With Regard to Various Conventions

- Women and Children
- Sustainable Development: Preserving Environment and Culture
- Terrorism
- Rights of Indigenous People

ESSENTIAL READINGS

Alston, Phillip, ed., *Human Rights in India: A Critical Appraisal* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1992).

Baxi Upendra (2002), *Human Rights in India*, New Delhi, OUP.

Freeman, Michael (2003), *An Introduction to Human Rights*, Cambridge: Polity Press.

Kapoor, S.K. (2012), *Human Rights in India*, Allahabad: Central Law Agency.

Langley, Winstone E., *Enforcement of Human Rights* (London: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers, 1999).

South Asian Human Rights Documental Centre (2008), *Human Rights in India*. New Delhi: OUP.

Verma, R.S., *Human Rights in India* Volumes I, II and III (Delhi: Radiant Publishers, 2000).

FURTHER READINGS

ESSENTIAL READINGS:

Austin, Granville (2000) *Organization of Director Conferences and Earnings*,