

**Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra**

**B.A. Part-I, Human Rights (Semester-Wise)**

Syllabus and Courses of Reading w.e.f. 2010-2011

**Semester-I**

**Paper – Human Rights and Duties in India-I**

Max. Marks: 100  
Internal Marks :20  
External Marks : 80  
Time: 3 Hours

***Note for the Paper-Setter***

Total Nine Questions to be set, Selecting at least two questions from each unit and ninth question will be Objective Multiple Choice (2 marks each) covering the whole syllabi.

***Note for the student***

*Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.*

Unit:1. Concept of Human Rights: Meaning, Definition and Nature and Scope of Human Rights

Unit:2. Theories of Rights: Natural, Liberal, Marxist and Social Theory.

Unit:3. Constitutional Perspective: Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties and their Co-relation.

Unit:4. Constitutional Mechanism for Enforcement of Human Rights: Legislative, Executive and Judiciary.

**Note:** *Internal Assessment* Marks: 20

**Readings**

1. Desai, A.R. (ed.), (1986), *Violations of Democratic Rights in India*, Bombay: Popular Prakashan.
2. Sathe S.P., (2004), *Judicial Activism in India*, New Delhi: OUP.
3. Austin, Granville, (2000), *Working of Democratic Constitutions: The Indian Experience*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
4. Austin, Granville, (2002), *The Indian Constitutions: Cornerstone of a Nation*, New Delhi: OUP.
5. Dikshit, R.C., (1998), *Human Rights and the Law, Universal and Indian*, New Delhi: Deep and Deep.
6. Kashyap, Subhash C., (1978), *Human Rights and Parliament*, Delhi: Metropolitan. Kirpal, B.N. et al., (2004), *Supreme but Not Infallible*, New Delhi: OUP

7. Mehta, P. L. and Neena Verma, (1995), *Human Rights Under the Indian Constitutions*, New Delhi: Deep and Deep Publications.
8. Sathe S.P., (2004), *Judicial Activism in India*, New Delhi: OUP
9. Rao, K. Subha, (1962), *Fundamental Rights under Constitution of India*, Madras: Madras University.
10. Sehgal, B.P. Singh (ed.), (1999), *Human Rights in India: Problems and Perspectives*, New Delhi: Deep and Deep.

**Semester-II**  
**Paper – Human Rights and Duties in India-II**

Max. Marks: 100  
Internal Marks :20  
External Marks : 80  
Time: 3 Hours

***Note for the Paper-Setter***

Total Nine Questions to be set, Selecting at least two questions from each unit and ninth question will be Objective Multiple Choice (2 marks each) covering the whole syllabi.

***Note for the student***

*Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.*

Unit:1. Human Rights Movements in India: National Freedom Movement, Dalit and Women's Movement.

Unit:2. Societal and Political Problems of Human Rights in India: Violence against Women and Children, Terrorism and Regionalism.

Unit:3. Statutory Mechanism for Enforcement of Human Rights in India: National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) and State Human Rights Commissions (SHRCs) – Evolution, Composition and their Roles.

Unit:4. Statutory Mechanism for Enforcement of Human Rights in India: National Commission and Committees for SCs/STs, Minorities' Commission, Women' Commission – Consumer Rights and Courts.

**Note:**        ***Internal Assessment***

Marks: 20

**Readings**

1. Desai, A.R. (ed.), (1986), *Violations of Democratic Rights in India*, Bombay: Popular Prakashan.
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10. Sehgal, B.P. Singh (ed.), (1999), *Human Rights in India: Problems and Perspectives*, New Delhi: Deep and Deep.

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**B.A. Part-II, Human Rights (Semester-Wise)**  
Syllabus and Courses of Reading w.e.f. 2011-2012  
**Semester-III**  
**Paper-Societal Issues of Human Rights in India-I**

Max. Marks: 100  
Internal Marks :20  
External Marks : 80  
Time: 3 Hours

***Note for the Paper-Setter***

Total Nine Questions to be set, Selecting at least two questions from each unit and ninth question will be Objective Multiple Choice (2 marks each) covering the whole syllabi.

***Note for the student***

*Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.*

- Unit: I** Concepts and Approaches: Concept of Societal Problems and Human Rights.
- Unit: II** Theoretical approaches to Social problems and Social Changes.
- Unit: III** Social Problems: Causes and Types: Problems of Hierarchy. Problems of Minorities, Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes; Population Explosion; Problems of Aged and Disabled; and Problems of Women.
- Unit: IV** Problems of Working Classes: Definition and Classification of working class; Status and exploitation of working class: (i) Casual Worker's (ii) Bonded Labour (iii) Agriculture Labour (iv) Migrant Workers (v) Child Labour (vi) Unorganized Labour.

**Note:** *Internal Assessment* Marks: 20

**Readings**

1. ILO, (1974), *Migrant Workers*. Geneva, International Labor Office.
2. ILO, (1970), *Trade Union Rights and Their Relation to Civil Liberties*, Geneva: International Labor Office.
3. Jain, Mahavir (1997) *Bonded Labor Justice through Judiciary*.: Manak Publications, New Delhi
4. Jenks, C.W. (1960) *Human Rights and International Labor Standards*, Stevens London,.
5. Kumar, Bindal, (2000), *Problems of Working Children*. APII Publications, New Delhi
6. Mehta, P.L., (1996), *Child Labor and the law*, Deep and Deep, (New Delhi:

7. Prakash, S.S. (1990), *Bonded Labor and Social Justice*, Deep and Deep, New Delhi:
8. Sahoo, Umesh Ch. (1990) “*Child Labor and Legislation*”, *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol. XXV, no. 46, 17 November, pp. 2531-34.
9. Saksena, K.P. (1999) “*Recent Supreme Court Judgment on Child Labor: A Critique*”, in K.P. Saksena (eds.), *Human Rights: Fifty Years of India’s Independence*: Gyan Publishing House, New Delhi.
10. Sankaran, Kamala (1998) “*Human Rights and the World of Work*”, *Journal of Indian Law Institute*, vol. 40 nos. 1-4
11. Saxsena, Anu ,(2002), *Human Rights and Child Labor in Indian Industries*, Shipra, New Delhi:
12. Sharma, A.K. (1995) “ *Human Rights Violations of Street Children and Child Labor in New Delhi*”, In B. P. Singh Seghal (ed.) *Human Rights in India: Problems and Perspectives*, Deep and Deep, New Delhi
13. Singh, S.K., (1994), *Bonded Labor and the La*, Deep and Deep. New Delhi
14. UN, (1996), *The Right to Migratory Workers*, UN Centre for Human Rights, World Campaign for Human Rights, Geneva:
15. Kaushal, Rachna, (2000), *Women and Human Rights in India*. New Delhi: Kaveri Books.
16. Khan, Mumtaz Ali, (1998), *Women and the Human Rights*, Commonwealth, New Delhi
17. Kaushik, Vijay (1999), *Women’s Movements and Human Rights*, Pointer Publishers Jaipur
18. Nirmal, C.J., (1999), *Human Rights in India*, Oxford, New Delhi
19. Saxena, Shobha, (1999), *Crimes against Women and Protective Laws*, Deep and Deep, New Delhi:
20. UN, (1999), *Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women*, UN Department of Public Information, New York
21. UN, (1993), *Human Rights and Disabled persons*, Geneva: World Campaign for Human Rights.
22. Karna, G. and K. Gaharana, (1994), *Rights of, Disabled Persons*, In K.P., Saksena, ed. *Human Rights: Perspective and Challenges*, New Delhi.
23. Kumar, Bindal, (2000), *Problems of Working Children*, APH Publication, New Delhi
24. Lalitha, S., *Legality of Contract of Sale of Women*, *Journal of Indian Law Institute*, vol. 30, no.1
25. Karna, G.N. (2000), *Disability Rights Movement: Conceptual Framework and its Implications for India*, *Disabilities and Impairments*, Vol. 14, NO.1.
26. Dikshit, R.C., (1998), *Human Rights and the Law*, Universal and Indian, Deep and Deep, New Delhi:
27. Jha, R.C., (1995), *Resurrecting: Human Right in India*, Sheridan Book Company, New Delhi
28. Mishra, Pramod (ed.), (2000), *Human Rights in South Asia*, Delhi: Kalpaz Publications.

29. Ray, Aswani K, (1986), Civil Rights Movement and Social Struggle in India, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. XXXI, NO. 28, 12 July. .
30. Verma, R.S., (2000), *Human Rights: Burning Issues of the World*, Volumes I, II and III: Radiant Publishers Delhi,

**Semester-IV**  
**Paper-Societal Issues of Human Rights in India-II**

Max. Marks: 100  
Internal Marks :20  
External Marks : 80  
Time: 3 Hours

***Note for the Paper-Setter***

Total Nine Questions to be set, Selecting at least two questions from each unit and ninth question will be Objective Multiple Choice (2 marks each) covering the whole syllabi.

***Note for the student***

*Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.*

**Unit: I** Human Rights and Criminal Justice System: Criminal Justice System and Prosecution of Human Rights.

**Unit: II** Offence involving Human Rights; and Rights of Accrued, Rights of Inmates of Persons and Custodial Homes.

**Unit: III** Administration of Criminal Justice and Reforms: Administration of Criminal Justice. Ordinary Courts, Special Courts, District Human Rights Courts.

**Unit: IV** Rights to Legal Aid, Punishments and Human Rights; and Reforms in Police and Jails.

**Note:** *Internal Assessment* Marks: 20

**Readings**

1. Bag, R.K., (1997), Domestic violence and crime against women: Criminal Justice Response in India, *Journal of Indian Law Institute, Vol. 39, and nos. 2-4.*
2. Bakken, T., (1985) International Law and Human Rights for Defendants in Criminal Trails, *Indian Journal of Law Vol. 25*
3. Bava, Noorjahan, (ed), (2000), *Human rights and Criminal Justice Administration in India*, New Delhi: Uppal Publishing House.
4. Baxi, Upendra, (1988), Clemency, Extradition and Death: The Judicial Discourse in Keher Singh, *Journal of Indian Law, Vol. 30, and no. 4.*
5. Bhagwati, P.N.,(1985,) Human Rights in the Criminal Justice System, *Journal of Indian Law Institute, Vol. 27, no. 1.*
6. Ghosh, S.K., (1993), *Torture and Rape in Police Custody*,: Asish Publishing House, New Delhi
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8. Landerer, L.E, (1971,) Capital Punishment as a Human Rights Issue before the United Nation, *Human Rights Journal, Vol. 4, no. 2*
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10. Scobb, Harry, M. and Laurie Wizerber, (eds.), (1984), *Access to Justice: Struggle for Rights in South East Asia*, Washington D.C: Human Rights Internet.
11. Suresh, H,(1996,), Human Rights and Criminal Justice and Functionaries, *Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 31, no. 24.*
12. UN, (1991), *Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances*, Geneva: Center for Human Rights, World Campaign for Human Rights
13. UN, (1997), *Extra- Judicial, Summary or Arbitrary Executions*, Geneva: Center for Human rights, Under World campaign for Human rights.
14. UN, (1994), *Human rights and Pre-trial Detention: A Handbook of International Standard Relating to Pre –Trial Detention*, New York: UN publication Division.
15. Vibhute, K.I, (1990), *Compensating Victims of Crimes in Indian Society*, Shubhi, New Delhi.

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**B.A. Part-III, Human Rights (Semester-Wise)**  
Syllabus and Courses of Reading w.e.f. 2012-2013  
**Semester-V**

**Paper I      Environment and Human Rights and Duties-I**

Max. Marks: 100  
Internal Marks :20  
External Marks : 80  
Time: 3 Hours

***Note for the Paper-Setter***

Total Nine Questions to be set, Selecting at least two questions from each unit and ninth question will be Objective Multiple Choice (2 marks each) covering the whole syllabi.

***Note for the student***

*Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.*

- Unit: I**      Environment: Meaning; and Concern for Environment.
- Unit: II**      Historical Perspective; and Pollution and its effects on environment and life on earth.
- Unit: III**      Environment Threats to India: Forest Denudation; and Pollution of Rivers.
- Unit: IV**      Indiscriminate Industrial Explosion; Depletion of Rare Species; and Bio-Diversity.

**Note:**      *Internal Assessment*      Marks: 20

**Readings**

1. Balasubramaniam, V., "Environment and Human Rights: A New Form of Imperialism", *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol.33, no.8, 22-27 Feb. 1998,
2. Birnie, Patricia and Allan Boyle, (1992) *International Law and the Environment*: Clarendon, Oxford
3. Desai, Bharat, "Enforcement of the Right to Environmental Protection through Public Interest Litigation in India", *Indian Journal of International Law*, vol.33, 1993,
4. Finnie, J. (1987), *Natural Law and Natural Rights*, Clarendon Press, Oxford:
5. Mahawal, S., "Right to Safe Environment", *World Focus*, vol.13, no.2, March 1992
6. RLEK, (1997), *Community Forestry Management in Protected Areas: A Van Gujjar Proposal*, Natraj Publishers, New Delhi

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8. Shelton, Dinah, “Human Rights, Environmental Rights and the Right to Environment”, *Stanford Journal of International Law*, vol.28, no.1, 1991,
9. Singh, Nagendra, “Right to Environment and Sustainable Development as a Principle of International Law”, *Journal of Indian Law Institute*, 1987,
10. Singh, Rajkumar Deepak, “Response of Indian Judiciary to Environmental Protection”, *Indian Journal of International Law*, vol.39, no.3, July-Sept. 1999,
11. Trindade, A.C., (1998), “*Human Rights and the Environment*”, in Janusz Symonides, ed., *Human Rights:New Dimensions and Challenges*, UNESCO, Sydney.

## Semester-VI

### Paper I Environment and Human Rights and Duties-II

Max. Marks: 100  
Internal Marks :20  
External Marks : 80  
Time: 3 Hours

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Total Nine Questions to be set, Selecting at least two questions from each unit and ninth question will be Objective Multiple Choice (2 marks each) covering the whole syllabi.

#### *Note for the student*

*Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.*

**Unit: I** Rights to clean environment: Its Content and Scope; Right to Environment v/s Right to Development; and Culprits and Victims.

**Unit: II** Globalization of the Right: The Planet Earth and Global Commons.

**Unit: III** Issue of Environmental Protection in Developing Countries: Inter-Generational Equity; Preservation of Natural Resources; Poverty, Illiteracy and environment; and City Dwellers and Villagers.

**Unit: IV** National Regime of Environment Protection: Constitutional Rights and Duties; and Statutory Rights and Duties.

**Note:** *Internal Assessment* Marks: 20

#### **Readings**

12. Balasubramaniam, V., "Environment and Human Rights: A New Form of Imperialism", *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol.33, no.8, 22-27 Feb. 1998,
13. Birnie, Patricia and Allan Boyle, (1992) *International Law and the Environment*: Clarendon, Oxford
14. Desai, Bharat, "Enforcement of the Right to Environmental Protection through Public Interest Litigation in India", *Indian Journal of International Law*, vol.33, 1993,
15. Finnie, J. (1987), *Natural Law and Natural Rights*, Clarendon Press, Oxford:
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17. RLEK, (1997), *Community Forestry Management in Protected Areas: A Van Gujjar Proposal*, Natraj Publishers, New Delhi

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19. Shelton, Dinah, "Human Rights, Environmental Rights and the Right to Environment", *Stanford Journal of International Law*, vol.28, no.1, 1991,
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21. Singh, Rajkumar Deepak, "Response of Indian Judiciary to Environmental Protection", *Indian Journal of International Law*, vol.39, no.3, July-Sept. 1999,
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