



MTM College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Veliyancode

Department of Sociology

Certificate Course

Human Rights in India

Total hours: 30 hours

Course code: MTM SO03

Course evaluation: Written Exam- 50 marks & Internal evaluation- 25 marks

Course Description

The course on Human Rights in India aims to provide an understanding of the fundamental principles and legal framework governing human rights in the country. It delves into various aspects, including the Constitution, international instruments, and specific legislation related to human rights.

Course Learning Outcomes

After the successful completion of the course, the students will be able to:

- Describe and analyze concepts and legislative provisions related to Human Rights in India.
- Apply the steps to protect human rights in various contexts and analyze their significance.
- Understand the relationship of Human Rights principles with other statutes in India.
- Identify different legislation with provisions beneficial or adverse to human rights.

Syllabus

MODULE 1: INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN RIGHTS (6 hours)

- ❖ Understanding Human Rights
- ❖ Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)
- ❖ Significance of Human Rights in a Democracy
- ❖ Historical background - Evolution of Human Rights in India

MODULE 2: CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS (8 hours)

- ❖ Constitutional Basis of Human Rights
- ❖ Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles
- ❖ Citizens' rights and duties
- ❖ Constitutional Amendments related to Human Rights

MODULE 3: HUMAN RIGHTS UNDER SPECIFIC LEGISLATIONS (7 hours)

- ❖ Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993
- ❖ Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015
- ❖ Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989
- ❖ The National Commission for Women Act, 1990
- ❖ Domestic Violence Act, 2005

MODULE 4: CASE STUDIES AND APPLICATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS (9 hours)

- ❖ Salient features of major Human Rights legislations
- ❖ Role of National Human Rights Commission;
- ❖ Human Rights violations and redressal mechanisms
- ❖ Media's role in advocating Human Rights.

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2. Singh, Jai S (Dr), Upadhaya Law of Human Rights Under the Constitution of India Edn. 2016, New Delhi: Whytes & Co., 342.7(100):342.4 SIN P17 Acc.No.17900
3. Deshpande, Bhagyashree A. Human Rights: Law & Practice Allahabad: Central Law Publication, 342.7(100) DES P17 Acc.No.17905