

Department of Political Science & Public Administration

APOLVAC05 - LAWS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDIA

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

1. To gain theoretical Knowledge in the field of Human Rights.
2. To familiarize student community about International Law and Human Rights
3. To learn about the provisions on Human Rights in Indian Constitution.
4. To orient the student community about the Institutions of Human Rights in India.
5. To sensitize about the Human Rights issues in India

Unit: I CONCEPTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS:

Meaning, Nature, Scope of Human Rights – Significance of Human Rights – Types of Human Rights.

Unit: II HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL LAWS:

UDHR – CEDAW – ICC

Unit: III INDIAN CONSTITUTION AND HUMAN RIGHTS:

Fundamental Rights – Fundamental Duties – Directive Principles of State Policy.

Unit: IV HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS IN INDIA:

NHRC- NCW – NCPCR – NCM

Unit: V HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES IN INDIA:

Weaker Section and Human Rights – Marginalized and Human Rights – Environment and Human Rights

TEXT BOOKS

1. Chowdhury, A.R., & Bhuiyan, J.H. (2012) An Introduction to International Human Rights Law, Brill.
2. Clapham, A. (2015) Human Rights: A very short Introduction, Oxford University Press
3. Halder, D., & Brahmabatt, S.S. (2021) Advancement of Human Rights in India : Contemporary and emerging Challenges, SAGE Publications.
4. Pavithran, K.S. (2018) Human Rights in India, Gyan Publishing House.
5. Sudarshanam, G (2019) Human Rights in India: Prospective and retrospective, Rawat Publications.

SUGGESTED READINGS

1. Rachna Kausal, Women & Human Rights in India, New Delhi: Daya Publishers, 2004.
2. Mehta P.L. & Neena Varma, Human Rights under Indian Constitution, New Delhi: Deep & Deep Publications 1999.
3. Pal, R.C. Situation of Human Rights in India, New Delhi, commonwealth publishers, 2000.

COURSE OUTCOME:

Upon completion of this course, it is expected that students will have:

- Acquired a detailed understanding about the concepts and theoretical background of human rights.
- Gained an understanding about the Human Rights and International Law.
- Become familiar on Indian Constitution and Human Rights
- Attained information about the institutional frame work and functioning of Human Rights.
- Generated awareness on Human Rights Issues in India.