SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY

Programme & Subject: BA LLB

Semester: II

Syllabus with Effect from: June - 2009

Paper Code: IL - 205	
Title Of Paper: Law Of Tort Including MV Accident And Consumer Protection	Total Credit:
Laws:	

Unit	Description in Detail	Weightage (%)
(A) Torts		
	Meaning, Definition & Scope of Torts:	
	Ingredients of Tort - A Wrongful act – Violation of	
	duty imposed by Law, duty which is owed to people	
	generally (in rem) – damnum sine injuria and injuria	
	sine damnum – The concept of unliquidated damages	
	Differentiate Tort from Crimes and Breach of Contract	
	Relevance of Malice, Motive and Intention in tort.	
	Capacity of person to sue and be sued	
	Who may sue? – aggrieved individual – class action –	
	social action	
	Who may not be sued?	
	Justification of Tort	
	Act of State – Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity and	
	its relevance in India	
	Judicial and Quassi-Judicial acts	
	Parental and Quassi-parental authority	
	Statutory authority	
	Inevitable accident	
	Private defense	
	Act of Necessity	
	Volenti non fit injuria	
	Plaintiff's own wrong	
	Extinction of Tortious Liability:	
	Actio personalis moritur cum persona - exceptions	
	Accord and Satisfaction	
	Waiver	
	Acquiescence	
	Release	
	Limitation	
	Remedies:	
	Judicial remedies	
	Extra-judicial remedies	
	Vicarious Liability:	
	Basis, Scope and Justification	
	Modes of Vicarious liability	
	Express authorization	
	Ratification	
	Abetment	
	Special Relationship:	



Master and Servant Owner and Independent Contractor Principal and Agent Guardian and Ward Company and Directors **Torts against Persons and personal relations** Assault **Battery** Mayhem False Imprisonment Defamation Libel Slander Privileges **Wrongs Affecting Property** Trespass and Trespass ab initio to Land Trespass to movable goods - Conversion Torts against business interest – injurious falsehood, misstatements, passing off. **Negligence** Basic concept and theories of Negligence Doctrine of Contributory negligence Res ipsa loquitor **Nuisance** Definition, essentials and types Acts constituting nuisance: obstructing highway, Pollution of Water, Noise and interference with Light and Air **Absolute / Strict Liability** The Rule of Rylands v. Fletcher (B) Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Relevant provisions only) No Fault Liability Principle: Sections 140-142. Insurance of Motor Vehicles against Third Party Risks: Sections 146, 147, 150, 152, 160, 161, 162, 163, 163-A and 163-B (C) Consumer Protection Act, 1986 (Relevant provisions only) Consumerism in India Rights of consumers **Definition of Consumer** Who is a Consumer? Who is not a consumer? **Consumer of Goods** Meaning of defects in goods Standards of purity, quality, quantity and potency Supply and distribution of goods Supply of essential commodities Consumer safety in distribution and handling of unsafe and hazardous products, insecticides and pesticides and other poisonous substances **Consumer of Service**



Meaning of Deficiency

Professional services including Medical and

Lawyering services
Electric, Postal, Telecommunication services
Housing services
Banking services
Commercial services of Hiring, Financing and
Agency
Enforcement of Consumer rights

Statutory Materials:

- ➤ The Motor Vehicles Act, 1988
- > Consumer Protection Act, 1986

Basic Text & Reference Books:-

Law of Torts
 Law of Torts
 B.M. Gandhi
 Law of Torts
 D.D. Basu

> Salmond on Law of Torts

Text book on Law of Torts
 Tort Law
 Winfield
 R.W.M. Dias

➤ Law of Consumer Protection

(Principles and Practice)
 Law of Consumer Protection
 Consumers and the Law
 Commentary on Consumer Protection Act
 Avtar Singh
 D.N. Saraf
 R.M. Vats
 J.N. Barowalia

➤ A.P. Mathur's Law relating to Motor Vehicles-Eastern Book Company

➤ Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 – Eastern Book Company

