

#### SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY

# Vallabh Vidyanagar, Gujarat

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# Masters of Laws (Constitutional& Legal Order Group) LL.M. (Constitutional& Legal Order Group) Semester-I

| <b>Course Code</b>   | Code PL01ELCL52 | Title of the | Human Rights-I |
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|                      | 1201220202      | Course       |                |
| <b>Total Credits</b> | 5               | Hours per    |                |
| of the Course        | 3               | Week         |                |

| Course<br>Objectives: | The National Legal Systems recognized the rights of individuals from ancient periods and extended protection through various legal regulations. However, they could not provide an effective remedy for breaches outside the state and state violations. This scenario and other developments in the beginning of 20th century led the nation-states to bring the aspects of individuals' rights under the purview of international law and appropriately titled them as Human Rights with the adoption of Charter of UN in 1945. In pursuance of the directions of the preamble and other provisions of Charter, a plethora of international instruments have been agreed upon by the States Parties to Protect and promote the Human Rights of Individuals both international and domestic levels. In view of the gaining significance of International Law of Human Rights, this paper presents subtly an overview of the International and Domestic perspectives of Human Rights along with the redress mechanism. |
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|      | Course Content  |            |
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| Unit | Description   | Weightage* |
| 1.   | Panoramic View of Human Rights  | 20%        |
|      | Human Rights in Non-western Thought   |            |
|      | <ul> <li>Awareness of Human rights during the nationalist movement</li> </ul>                   |            |
|      | <ul> <li>Universal Declaration of Human Rights,</li> </ul>                                      |            |
|      | Constituent Assembly and Part III, drafting process   |            |
|      | Subsequent developments in International Law and  |            |
|      | the Position in India (e.g. Convention of Social  |            |
|      | discrimination, torture, gender discrimination, environment and the two human rights covenants. |            |
| 2.   | Fundamental Rights Jurisprudence as Incorporating Directive<br>Principles                       | 20%        |
|      | The dichotomy of Fundamental Rights (F.R) and Directive Principles (D.P.)                       |            |



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|    | • The interaction between F. R and D.P. Resultant expansion of basic needs oriented human rights in India  |     |
| 3. | Right not be Subject to Torture, Inhuman or Cruel Treatment  Conceptions of torture, third-degree methods  "Justifications" for it  Outlawry of torture at international and constitutional law level  Incidence of torture in India  Judicial attitudes  Law Reform-proposed and pending  Minority Rights  Conception of minorities  Scope of protection  The position of minority "Woman" and their basic rights Communal Riots as Involving violation of Rights | 20% |
| 4. | Rights to development of Individuals and Nations  • The UN Declaration on Right to Development .1987  • The need for constitutional and legal changes in India from human rights standpoint People's Participation in Protection and Promotion of Human  | 20% |
| 5. | <ul> <li>Rights</li> <li>Role of International NGOS</li> <li>Amnesty International</li> <li>Minority Rights Groups</li> <li>International Bars Association, Law Asia Contribution of these groups to protection and promotion of human rights in India</li> </ul>  | 20% |

| PSDA | (Professional Skill Development Activities)                  |
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| *    | Statutes and Judgment Analysis                               |
| *    | Preparation of One Research Paper/Research Article           |
| *    | Access to Legal Resources: E-Library, E-Books and E-Database |
| *    | Developing Comparative Analysis Skills                       |
| *    | Understanding the connotation between law and society        |

| Teaching-<br>Learning<br>Methodology | <ul> <li>Lecture Method</li> <li>Power Point Presentation (including audio/video)</li> <li>Group Discussion</li> <li>Case study</li> </ul> |
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|            | Evaluation Pattern   |                  |
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| Sr.<br>No. | Details of the Evaluation  | Weightage<br>(%) |
| 1.         | Internal Written / Practical Examination (As per CBCS R.6.8.3)   | 20%              |
| 2.         | Internal Continuous Assessment in the form of Practical, Viva-voce, Quizzes, Seminars, Assignments, Attendance (As per CBCS R.6.8.3) | 10%              |
| 3.         | University Examination   | 70%              |

| Cou | Course Outcomes: Having completed this course, the learnerwill be able to  |  |
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| 1.  | Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the international human rights framework, its origins and justifying theories.                  |  |
| 2.  | Demonstrate capacity to assess how specific human rights may be asserted, enforced or violated;  |  |
| 3.  | Critically evaluate the relationship between international and domestic law on human rights.   |  |
| 4.  | Demonstrate understanding of the role of lawyers in human rights protection and capacity to contribute to ongoing processes of law reform. |  |

|            | Suggested References:   |
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| Sr.<br>No. | References  |
| 1.         | Text books: The Constitution Of India   |
| 2.         | Reference books:  1. U.Baxi (ed) –The Right to be Human (1986)  2. Madhavtirtha –Human Rights (1953)  3. L.Levin – Human Rights (1982)  4. A.B. Robertson (ed), Human Rights in National and International Law (1970)  5. J.A. Andrews – Human Rights in International Law (1986) |





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| On-line resources to be used if available as reference material |
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| On-line Resources   |
| a. SWAYAM   |
| b. EdX  |
| c. Cousera  |
| d. Manupatra  |
| e. SCC Online   |
| f. Hein Online  |

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