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NAME OF THE ADD-ON COURSE: : INDIAN CONSTITUTION AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Duration: September 1st to September 14th, 2021 (Online Mode)

Total Time: 30 hours.

Faculty-in-Charge: Sri Gouranga Roy

Faculty Members: Smt Soma Chakraborty

Sri Satya Ranjan Mandal

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The Curriculum consists of 10 Core Courses

Course Overview: This online add-on course aims to provide an in-depth understanding of the Provisions of Human Rights in Indian Constitution for its citizens. Participants will explore the key principals will explore key principles, laws, and concepts related to protection of human rights within the framework of Indian legal system.

Course Objectives:

1. Understand the concept of human rights and their significance in the Indian Context.
2. Analyze the historical evolution of human rights in India.
3. Examine the constitutional provisions related to human rights.
4. To analyze the relationship between the Indian Constitution and international human rights standards.
5. Explore landmark cases and judicial interpretations shaping human rights jurisprudence in India.
6. To discuss contemporary issues and challenges concerning human rights in India.

Course Structure:

September 1st: Introduction to Human Rights

- a) Defining human rights (SRM- 1 hr).
- b) Historical evolution of human rights (SRM- 1 hr).
- c) Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and its relevance to India (GR-2hrs).

September 2nd: Human Rights in the Indian Context

- a) Overview to the Indian Constitution(SC- 1hr).
- b) Incorporation of human rights principles in the Indian Constitution (SC- 1hr).
- c) Comparison between Indian constitutional provisions and international human rights treaties (SC - 1hr).

September 3rd & 4th: Fundamental Rights & Directive Principles of State Policy



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- Detailed discussion on Part III of the Indian Constitution: Fundamental Rights: Equality before law and equal protection of laws; Prohibition of discrimination on ground of religion, race, caste, sex etc; Right to life and personal liberty (Article-21); Freedom of speech and expression (Article-19); Affirmative action and reservation in India (**GR- 2 hrs.**).
- Understanding Part IV of the Indian Constitution: Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP); Analysis of the role of DPSPs in governance to protect human rights (**GR- 1hr.**).

September 5th: Fundamental Duties

- Overview of Part IV-A: Fundamental Duties (**SC- 1 hr.**).
- Discussion on citizenships rights and responsibilities (**SC- 1 hr.**).

September 6th: Rights of Minorities and Vulnerable group

- Protection of Minorities Rights (**MC-1 hr.**).
- Rights of women, children, LGBTQ+ community, and other vulnerable groups, and Legislatives and policy measures for their empowerment and protection (**MC-2 hrs.**).

September 7th, 8th & 9th: Indian Judiciary and Human Rights

- Role and power of the Indian Judiciary in upholding Human Rights in India **GR-1 hr.**
- Access to justice and legal aid (**GR- 1 hrs.**).
- Public Interest Litigation (PIL) and its impact on human rights enforcement (**SC- 1 hr.**).
- Landmark cases and judicial interpretations shaping human rights jurisprudence in India (**SC- 1 hr.**).

September 10th & 11th: Human Rights Institutions in India

- National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)- (**SRM- 1 hr.**).
- State Human Rights Commissions (SHRCs)- (**SRM- 1 hr.**).
- Role and effectiveness of human rights institutions (**SRM- 1hr.**).

September 12th & 13th: Contemporary Human Rights Issues in India

- Introduction to human rights law in India (**GR- 1 hr.**).
- Analysis of major human rights issues and challenges (**GR- 1 hr.**).
- Intersectionality of human rights issues in India (**SC- 1 hr.**).
- Strategies for promoting and safeguarding human rights in India (**SC- 1hr.**).

September 14th: Assessment-

- Participation in class discussion (2 hrs.).
- Presentation on a specific human rights topic in India (2 hrs.).



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Recommended Resources:

Books:

1. "Introduction to The Constitution of India" by Durga Das Basu
2. "Human Rights and Constitution of India" by Rahul Kandharkar
3. "The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation" by Granville Austin
4. "Human Rights in India: Historical, Social, and Political Perspectives" by Neera Chandhoke

Websites:

1. National Human Rights Commission of India (nhre.nic.in)
2. Human Rights Law Network (hrln.org)




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