

MAHARSHI DAYANAND SARASWATI UNIVERSITY, AJMER

Faculty of Law

LL.M. (Two-Year) Program — Semester Credit Scheme

SYLLABUS

SCHEME AND WEIGHTAGE OF COURSE - LL.M. SEMESTER I & II

S. No	Course Category	Title of the Course	Credits			Credits earned	Evaluation			Remarks
			L	T	P		IA	ESA	Total	
SEMESTER – I										
1	LLMDCC – 01	Legal Theory - I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	All Courses are compulsory Courses
2	LLMDCC – 02	Constitutional Law of India : New Challenges - I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
3	LLMDCC – 03	Law and Social Transformation in India - I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
4	LLMDCC – 04	Interpretation of Statutes	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
5	LLMDCC – 05	Principles of Legislation	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester I			20	Total Marks in Semester I		500	
SEMESTER – II										
6	LLMDCC – 06	Legal Theory - II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
7	LLMDCC – 07	Constitutional Law of India : New Challenges - II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
8	LLMDCC – 08	Law and Social Transformation in India - II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
9	LLMDSE– 01A	Judicial Process	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 01B	Recent Legal Development and Cases - I (Viva-Voce Exam. & Project work)	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
10	LLMDCC – 09	Legal Research Methodology	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester II			20	Total Marks in Semester II		500	

Note: Duration of examination for each theory course is 3 hours. Each course carries 100 marks (30 Internal Assessment + 70 End-Semester Assessment). It is mandatory to separately clear the theory and internal assessment components, with minimum qualifying marks of 40% in each.

LLM DCC – LL.M. Discipline Core Course; LLMDSE –LL.M. Discipline Specific Elective

BRANCH I : CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

SCHEME AND WEIGHTAGE OF COURSE - LL.M. SEMESTER III & IV

SEMESTER – III: Constitutional Law										
11	LLMDCC – 10	Comparative Constitutional Law – I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
12	LLMDCC – 11	Constitutional Governance and Union-State Relations – I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
13	LLMDSE – 02A	Fundamental Rights and Judicial Review – I (Student may opt any one of DSE-A-03 / DSE-B-03)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 02B	Constitutionalism and Democratic Institutions – I								
14	LLMDSE – 03A	Constitution, Elections and Political Process (Student may opt any one of DSE-04A / DSE-04B)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 03B	Constitutional Law and Social Justice								
15	LLMDCC – 12	Constituent Power, Constitutional Amendment and the Basic Structure Doctrine	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester III			20	Total Marks in Semester III		500	
SEMESTER – IV: Constitutional Law										
16	LLMDCC – 13	Comparative Constitutional Law – II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
17	LLMDCC – 14	Constitutional Governance and Union-State Relations – II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
18	LLMDSE – 04A	Fundamental Rights and Judicial Review – II (Student may opt any one of DSE-A-03 / DSE-B-03)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 04B	Constitutionalism and Democratic Institutions – II								
19	LLMDSE – 05A	Constitutional Law in the Digital Age (Student may opt any one of DSE-04A / DSE-04B)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Students may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 05B	Constitutional Law, Environment and Sustainable Development								
20	LLMDCC – 15	Dissertation	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester IV			20	Total Marks in Semester IV		500	
		Total Credits in all semester (20+20+20+20)				80	Total Marks in all semesters		2000	

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Total Credits (Semester III + IV): 40 Total Marks (Semester III + IV): 1000

BRANCH I : BUSINESS LAWS

SCHEME AND WEIGHTAGE OF COURSE - LL.M. SEMESTER III & IV

SEMESTER – III: Business Laws										
11	LLMDCC – 10	General Principles of Contract	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
12	LLMDCC – 11	Company Law -I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
13	LLMDSE – 02A	Law Relating to Negotiable Instrument Act	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 02B	Law Relating to Bankruptcy								
14	LLMDSE – 03A	Competition & Consumer Protection Laws	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 03B	Indian Partnership Act, 1932								
15	LLMDCC – 12	Commercial Arbitration	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester III			20	Total Marks in Semester III		500	
SEMESTER – IV: Business Laws										
16	LLMDCC – 13	Special Contracts	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
17	LLMDCC – 14	Company Law -II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
18	LLMDSE – 04A	Sale of Goods Act, 1930	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 04B	Law of Export & Import Regulation								
19	LLMDSE – 05A	Corporate Finance	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Students may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 05B	Banking Law								
20	LLMDCC – 15	Dissertation	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in			20	Total Marks in		500	

			Semester IV		Semester IV		
		Total Credits in all semester (20+20+20+20)	80	Total Marks in all semesters	2000		

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Total Credits (Semester III + IV): 40 Total Marks (Semester III + IV): 1000

DETAILED SYALLBUS

Paper I (LLMDCC – 01) Legal Theory –I

UNIT I Meaning of Legal Theory, Analytical and Historical Schools

- Introduction: Definition, Nature, Scope, and Importance of the Study of legal theory,
- Analytical School: John Austin, Hans Kelsen, H.L.A. Hart and Neo-Austinian
- Historical School: Karl Fedrick Savigny, Sir Henery Maine

UNIT II Natural and Functional Schools

- Natural Law School, Classical Natural Law, Revival of Natural Law
- Sociological School and it's Development
- Modern American and Scandinavian Realist School of Thoughts, Relationship between Law and Morality: Hart-Fuller Controversy, Hart-Devlin Debate

UNIT III Different Approaches

- Economic Approach of Law: Marxist Theory of Law
- Feminist Jurisprudence
- Compensatory Jurisprudence: The Emerging Trends

SUGGESTED READING:

1. Edgar Bodenheimer: Jurisprudence; The Philosophy and Method of the Law, Universal Book Traders, Delhi, 1996
2. R.W.M. Dias, Jurisprudence. 5th Edition; Aditya Books Private Ltd., New Delhi, 1994
3. Friedman, Law in Changing Society
4. Lloyd, Introduction of Jurisprudence
5. Mahajan V.D., Jurisprudence
6. Paton, Jurisprudence
7. Salmond, Jurisprudence
8. John Rawls, A theory of Justice
9. Amartya Sen, Idea of Justice
10. Anirudh Prasad, Vidhishastra Ke Mool Siddhant
11. The Path of the Law, Oliver Wendell Holmes
12. The Concept of Law, H.L.A. Hart
13. Naturalizing Jurisprudence, Brian Leiter
14. Law's Empire, Ronald Dworkin
15. The Morality of Law, Lon L. Fuller
16. Julius Stone: The Province and Function of Law; Associated General Publications Pvt.Ltd. Sydney
17. Howard Davies and David Holdcraft: Jurisprudence: Texts and Commentary; Butterworths, London, Dublin, Edinburgh, 1991
18. S.N. Dhyani: Fundamentals of Jurisprudence: The Indian Approach, 2nd Edition, Central Law Agency, Allahabad, 1997

19. Rama Jois, Seeds of Modern Public Law in Ancient Jurisprudence, Eastern Book Company, Lucknow, 1990
20. Rama Jois, Ancient Indian Law-Eternal Values in Manu Smriti, Universal Law Publishing Co., New Delhi, 2002

Paper II (LLMDCC – 02)

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF INDIA: NEW CHALLENGES - I

UNIT I Introduction and the Concept of State, Law and Equality

- Constitutionalism, Concept of Federalism, Appraisal of Indian Constitution
- Concept of State and the Laws: Constitutional and Judicial Approaches
- Right to Equality: Scope of the right to Equality, New approach to Article 14
- Equality of opportunity in the matters of Public Employment and in admission to educational institutions, New Challenges

UNIT II Fundamental Rights

- Freedom of Speech and Expression: The area of freedom and its limitation, Scope and Judicial Trends
- Freedom of Press and challenges of new scientific development
- Right to life and Personal Liberty- Judicial Approach and Emerging Challenges
- Constitutional Protection in respect of Conviction and Detention, Right Against Exploitation

UNIT III Fundamental Rights, Remedies and Directive Principles

- Right to Freedom of Religion: The scope of the freedom and the State Control Secularism and religious fanaticism
- Cultural and Educational Rights: Constitutional and Judicial Approach
- Right to Remedy: Constitutional and Judicial Approach
- Reading Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties into Fundamental rights, Relationship between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy

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1. D. D. Basu : Shorter Constitution of India (1996), Prentice Hall of India (P) Ltd., New Delhi
2. H. M. Seervai, Constitutional Law of India (in 2-Volumes), Universal Book Traders, New Delhi
Shukla V.N., Constitutional Law of India
3. M.P. Jain: Outlines of Indian Legal History (1993), Tripathi, Bombay
4. Granville d. Austin, Indian Constitution-Cornerstone Nation, Clarendon Press, Oxford
5. Chander Pal, Centre State Relations and Indian Cooperative Federalism
6. Chander Pal, State Autonomy in Indian Federation: Emerging Trends
7. Hidayatullah M., Constitutional Law of India
8. Tope T.R., Constitutional Law of India

9. Constituent Assembly Debates (Official Report),(in 5 Books and 12 Volumes),Lok Sabha Secretariat, NewDelhi
10. B.Shiva Rao, Framing of the Indian Constitution (in 5-volumes), Indian Institute of Public Administration, NewDelhi
11. M.P.Jain, Constitutional Law of India, Wadhwa and Co.,Nagpur
12. Granville Austin, Working a Democratic Constitution: A History of the Indian Experience, OUP
13. Sujit Choudhry et al. (eds.), The Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution, OUP
14. Upendra Baxi, The Indian Supreme Court and Politics, EBC
15. Fali S. Nariman, God Save the Hon'ble Supreme Court, Hay House, 2018
16. Dieter Grimm, Constitutionalism: Past, Present and Future, OUP, 2019
17. Landmark and Recent Articles on relevant topics published in Standard Law Journals like Journal of Indian Law Institute, Indian Bar Review, All India Reporter and Supreme Court Cases & landmark judgments of Indian Higher Judiciary on the given topics

Paper III (LLMDCC – 03)
Law and Social Transformation in India - I

UNIT I Social Change

- Meaning and concept of Law- Purposive device, Change or transformation, Value orientation in social change
- Theoretic Models on Social change and their application, Inter play between law and social change-stability and social change, Relationship between law and morality-culture, social change and law
- Law and development
- Social change in the context of democracy

UNIT II Evolution

- Historical and Sociological Study on the role of law in bringing about social change
- Law and social change in ancient India, Social dimensions of law and social concern for justice, The Interpretation of Shruti, Smriti and other commentaries to harmonize social change, Interaction between law and custom
- Application of the Indian Law by the British, Social reforms, Codification of Laws
- Freedom of Movement and Social reform ideas, Sociological perspective and social change

UNIT III Social Change and Constitution of India

- Constitutional evolution and the Constitutional Assembly's role, Constitutional text as a mechanism for social change
- The Constitutional amendments and social transformation, Basic structure theory as balancing continuity and change
- The role of Governmental organs for social transformation, Working of the Constitution for Social transformation, Constitutional interpretation as an effective tool for social transformation
- Application of international law in the process of constitutional interpretation, Constitutionalism and social transformation

SUGGESTED READING:

1. Marc Galanter (ed.), Law and Society in Modern India, 1977 Oxford
2. Robert Lingat, The Classical Law of India, 1998
3. U. Baxi, The Crisis of the Indian Legal System, 1982
4. Duncan Derret, The State, Religion and Law in India, 1999
5. H.M.Seervai, Constitutional Law of India, 1996
6. P. Iswara Bhatt, Law and Social Transformation in India
7. Upendra Baxi, Towards a Sociology of Indian Law
8. Marc Galanter (ed.): Law and Society in Modern India (1997), Oxford
9. Robert Lingat: The Classical Law of India (1998), Oxford
10. U. Baxi, (ed.): Law and Poverty Critical Essays (1988), Tripathy, Bombay
11. Duncan Derret: The State, Religion and Law in India(1999), Oxford University Press, New Delhi
12. D. D. Basu : Shorter Constitution of India (1996), Prentice Hall of India (P) Ltd., New Delhi
13. Indian Law Institute: Law and Social Change: Indo-American Reflections Tripathi(1988)
14. J. B. Kriplani: Gandhi – His, Life and Thought (1970), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India
15. M.P. Jain: Outlines of Indian Legal History (1993), Tripathi, Bombay

Paper IV (LLMDCC – 04)

Interpretation of Statutes

UNIT I Legislative Methods and Interpretation

- Legislative Methods: Law making Process of the Legislature
- Law Making Roles of the Judiciary, Interpretation as Complementary Law Making
- Constructing of the Law
- Relation between the Executive and the Legislature

UNIT II Rules and Tools of interpretation

- Techniques, Tools and Rules of Interpretation
- Presumptions, Internal and External Aids to Interpretation
- Operation of Statutes
- Maxims Used to aid Interpretation

UNIT III Techniques of Interpretation

- The Contextual Dimension of Interpretation
- General and Special Statutes, Interpretation of Fiscal Statutes, Interpretation of Penal Statutes
- Interpretation of Constitution
- Precedents and Interpretation

SUGGESTED READING:

1. Maxwell on the Interpretation of Statutes : 12th Ed. Ed 5. Lagan, N.M. Tripathi Pvt. Ltd., Bombay, 1976
2. Sir Rupert Cross: Statutory Interpretation, 2nd Ed. Edited by John Bell and Sir George Engle, Butterworths, London, 1987
3. G.P. Singh: Principles of Statutory Interpretation, 4th Ed. Wadhwa and Company, Nagpur, 1988
4. Vepa P. Sarathi, Interpretation of Statutes (second edition).
5. Beal, Rules of Interpretation
6. Odges, Interpretation of Statutes
7. Narasimhan, Interpretation of Statutes in British India
8. Wigmore, Panorama of World Legal System
9. Erskine May, Parliamentary Practice
10. Prof. T. Bhattacharya, Interpretation of Statutes
11. Kaul & Shukla, Practice and Procedure of Parliament
12. Subhash Kashyap, Parliamentary Procedure-Law, Privileges, Practice and Precedents
13. Craies, Statute Law
14. Bindra, N.S., Interpretation of Statutes
15. Swaroop Jagdish, Legislation and Interpretation

Paper V (LLMDCC – 05)

Principles of Legislation

UNIT I Theories of Legislation

- Utilitarian Theory of Legislation, Theory of Pleasure and Pain, Pain and Pleasures considered as Sanctions
- Principles of the Civil Code, Rights and Obligations, Ends of Civil Law

UNIT II Of Rights, Obligations, Principles and Punishment

- Rights and Obligations attached to several private conditions- Master and Servant, Of Slavery, Guardian and Ward, Father and Child, Of Marriage
- Principles of the Penal Code- Classification of Offences, The Influence of Motives upon the Greatness of Alarm, Ground of Justification
- Of Punishment- The Kinds of Punishments, Justification of Variety in Punishment, Of the Pardoning power

UNIT III Prevention of Offences. Law and Public Opinion

- Indirect Means of Preventing Offences- Indirect means of preventing the Wish to Commit Offences, satisfy certain desires without injury or with the Least Possible Injury, Facilitated Knowledge of the Fact of an Offence, Prevent Offences by giving to many Persons an Interest to Prevent them
- Employment of the Motive of Honour or the Popular Sanction, Means of Diminishing the bad effects of Offences
- Dicey on Legislation and Public Opinion, Relation between Law and Public Opinion, Democracy and Legislation, Three Main Currents of Public Opinion, Counter-Currents and Cross-Currents of Legislative Opinion, The Period of Benthamism and Individualism, Judicial Legislation

SUGGESTED READING:

1. Jeremy Bentham : The Theory of Legislation, N.M. Tripathi Pvt. Ltd., Bombay, 1986
2. W. Friedmann: Law in a changing Society, 2nd Ed., Universal Book Traders, Delhi, 1996 (First Indian Reprint)
3. A.V. Dicey : Law and Public Opinion I England, 2nd Ed. Universal Book Traders, Delhi, 1996 (First Indian Reprint)
4. W. Jethro Brown : The Underlying Principles of Modern Legislation,
5. Jethrow Brown, Underlying Principles of Modern legislation
6. Illbert, Legislative methods and Forms
7. Illbert, Mechanism of Law making
8. Ginsberg, Law and Public Opinion in England in the 20th Century

LL.M. SEMESTER II

Paper I (LLMDCC – 06)

Legal Theory - II

UNIT I Law and Justice and Sources

- Concept of Law
- Sources of Law- Custom, Precedent, Legislation
- The Concept of Justice

UNIT II Rights and Duties and Property

- Rights and Duties: Nature of rights and duties, correlation of rights and duties, kinds of Rights and Duties, Theories
- Property: definition and kinds

UNIT III Concepts of Law

- Ownership and Possession- Meaning, Importance, kinds, definitions, Theories
- Person – Nature, Personality, Kinds, Theories

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1. Bodenheimer: Jurisprudence
2. Dias, Jurisprudence
3. Friedman, Law in Changing Society
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11. C.K. Allen: Law in the Making, 7th Edition, Universal Law Publishing Co.Pvt.Ltd. Delhi,1997
12. Rupert Cross : Precedent in English Law, 3rd Edition Clarendron Press Oxford,1977
13. Benjamin N. Cardozo: The Nature of the Judicial Process, Universal Book Traders, Delhi,1995
14. Salmond: Jurisprudence, 12th Edition, Edited by P.J. Fitzgerald, Sweet & Maxwell, London,1966
15. J.C. Gray: The Nature and Sources of the Law, Columbia University Press, New York,1909
16. A.Lakshminath: Precedent in the Indian Legal System, Eastern Book Company, Lucknow,1990

Paper II (LLMDCC – 07)
CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF INDIA : NEW CHALLENGES II

UNIT I Administrative Relationship

- Challenges of Indian Federalism – Formation of States and Citizenships
- Center and State- Executive
- Relationship of center and state: Legislative, Administrative and Financial

UNIT II Legislature and Judiciary

- Center and State- Legislature
- The Indian Judiciary, Jurisdiction and Powers, role as guardian of the Constitution, Independence of Judiciary, Collegium vs NJAC
- Paradigm of Supremacy of Legislature and Judiciary
- Distribution of Legislative Powers: The Scheme of the distribution of legislative powers in India the judicial approach and the present position, Sarkaria Commission & Venkatachalam Commission

UNIT III Tortious Liability, Emergency and Amendment

- Tortious Liability of State-Constitutional and Judicial Approach
- Freedom of Trade Commerce and Intercourse
- Election Commission of India
- Emergency Provisions in Indian Constitution
- Amendment of the Constitution

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1. D. D. Basu : Shorter Constitution of India (1996), Prentice Hall of India (P) Ltd., New Delhi
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16. Dieter Grimm, *Constitutionalism: Past, Present and Future*, OUP, 2019
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Paper III (LLMDCC – 08)
Law and Social Transformation in India – II

UNIT I Law and Social Justice

- Law and Social Justice- Concept of Sarvodaya, Antyodaya, Social Justice
Gram Nyayalayas, Lok Adalats, Public Interest Litigation as instruments of Social Transformation
- Law and Development - Role of Law in Development of Dalits, Tribals, Minorities, Concept of Distributive Justice, Law as a tool for empowerment of the disadvantaged, Dependency Theory

UNIT II Emerging Trends

- Emerging Trends in Law and Social Transformation Law and Secularism - Uniform Civil Code, Religious Freedom and Judicial Interpretation
- Law and Governance - Transformative Constitutionalism, Transparency, Accountability, E-Governance, Right to Service Act
- Alternative Dispute Resolution - Arbitration, Conciliation, Mediation, Negotiation

UNIT III Technological Advancements and Social Transformation

- Law, Science and Technology - Biotechnology, Surrogacy, Artificial Intelligence and Law, Bio-ethics
- Globalization and Social Transformation - Impact of WTO, TRIPS, GATS on Indian Society, Liberalization and Marginalized Section

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1. Baxi, Upendra, Towards Sociology of Indian Law, Satvahan, New Delhi, 1986
2. Baxi, Upendra, The Crisis of the Indian Legal System, 1982
3. Iyer, Krishna, V.R., Social Mission of Law, Orient Longman, New Delhi, 1976.
4. Seervai, H.M., Constitutional Law of India, 4th Edition, N.M. Tripathi, Bombay, 1991
5. Parashar, Archana., Women and Family Law Reform in India, Sage Publications, New Delhi, 1992
6. Desai, I.P., Law and Social Transformation in India, Popular Prakashan, Bombay, 1979
7. Marc Galanter (ed.) Law and Society in Modern India, 1977 Oxford
8. Galanter, Marc, Competing Equalities - Law and the Backward Classes in India, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1984.
9. Robert Lingat, The Classical Law of India, 1998
10. Duncan Derret, The State, Religion and Law in India, 199
11. P. Ishwar Bhat, Law and Social Transformation, EBC (2009)
12. Savitri Gunasekhare, Children, Law and Justice (1997), Sage
13. M.P.Jain, Outlines of Indian Legal History, (1993), Tripathi, Bombay
14. Shyam S. Agarwal, Religion and Caste Politics, (1998)
15. Law Commission of India - Relevant Reports and Bare Acts

Paper IV (LLMDSE– 01A) Optional Paper Judicial Process

UNIT I Law and Justice and Judicial Process

- The concept of justice and relation between Law and Justice, the concept of 'Dharma' in Indian thought, 'Dharma' as the foundation of legal ordering, Various theories of justice in the Western thought
- The nature of Judicial Process, Judicial process as an instrument of social ordering, Judicial process and creativity in law, The tools and techniques of judicial creativity and precedents

UNIT II Judiciary and New Challenges

- Judicial Process in India, Indian debate on the role of judges and on the notion of judicial review, Danger signals and new challenges before the Indian Judiciary
- Independence of judiciary and the nature of judicial process, Provisions of the Indian Constitution guaranteeing Independence of judiciary, Attitude of confrontation with the Legislature & Executive, Appointment & transfer of judges and its effect on independence of judiciary

UNIT III Judicial Activism

- Judicial Activism and Constitutional obligations of the court, Evolution of the concept, Reasons in defense of judicial activism, Constitution of India and judicial activism, Role played by the Supreme Court of India, The tools and techniques of the judicial activism, Need for care and caution
- Decision making in the Supreme Court of India: Nature of participation- Dissent, concurrence, unanimity and voted with majority etc.

SUGGESTED READING:

1. S. Anand: 'Judicial Review: Judicial Activism-Need for Caution', 42 Journal of Indian Law Institute 149 (2000)
2. Benjamin Cardozo: The Nature of Judicial Process, Yale University Press, USA
3. Edgar Bodenheimer: Jurisprudence-The Philosophy and Method of the Law, Universal Law Publishing-An imprint of LexisNexis; Delhi
4. Henry J. Abraham: The Judicial Process, OUP, USA
5. John Rawls: A Theory of Justice, Harvard University Press, Cambridge
6. Julius Stone: Precedent and the Law-Dynamics of Common Law, Butterworth, Sydney
7. Julius Stone: The Province and Function of Law, Universal Law Publishing Co., New Delhi
8. Rajeev Dhavan: The Supreme Court of India-A Socio-Legal Critique of its Juristic Techniques, N. M Tripathi, Bombay
9. S. P. Sathe: Judicial Activism in India: Transgressing Borders and Enforcing Limits, Oxford University Press, New Delhi
10. Upendra Baxi: 'On How not to Judge the Judges: Notes towards Evaluation of the Judicial Role', 25 Journal of Indian Law Institute 211 (1983)
11. Upendra Baxi: The Indian Supreme Court and Politics, Eastern Book Co.
12. Virendra Kumar: 'Basic Structure of the Indian Constitution: Doctrine of Constitutionally Controlled Governance', 49 Journal of the Indian Law Institute, 365-395, (2007)

**Paper IV (LLMDSE– 01B) Optional Paper
Recent Legal Development and Cases - I
(Viva-Voce & Project work)**

Paper V (LLMDCC – 09) **Legal Research Methodology**

UNIT I Fundamentals of Research and Legal Research

- Meaning and objectives of Research, Research methods and Research Methodology, Importance of Research, Criteria of good research, Qualities of a Good Researcher, Obstacles to good research in India
- Types/kinds: Doctrinal and Non-Doctrinal (empirical); Applied, Fundamental; Library Research, Field Research, Analytical, Descriptive, Conceptual; Participatory and Non-Participatory; Comparative, Historical, Statistical, Critical, Socio-Legal; Mono disciplinary and Trans Disciplinary; Quasi-Disciplinary, Inter-Disciplinary (multi- disciplinary) Research; Quantitative and Qualitative, One Time and Longitudinal, Clinical or Diagnostic Research; Research for Legal Reform
- Legal Research - Meaning, scope and purpose, Relation between Law and Society, Importance of Research Methodology, Various steps – Research Process, Procedural guidelines regarding the Research Process, Identification and Formulation of the Research problem, Hypothesis, Use of Null hypothesis in legal research

UNIT II Methods and Tools of Legal Research

- Socio-Legal Research; Doctrinal and non-doctrinal research; Relevance of empirical research; Induction and deduction; Identification of problem of research
- Survey of available literature and preparation of bibliography; Legislative materials including subordinate legislation, notification and policy statements; Decisional materials including foreign decisions; methods of discovering the “rule of the case”
- Juristic writings: A Survey of juristic literature, Relevance, Compilation of list of reports or special studies conducted relevant to the problems; Use of the Case Studies; Use of questionnaires/interview; Sampling procedures, design of sample, types of sampling to be adopted; Use of scaling techniques; Jurimetrics

UNIT III Tabulation, Interpretation of Data and Technique of Writing

- Use of Library, Computer Assisted Research, Modern Technology, Classification and Tabulation of Data: use of cards for data collection, Rules for tabulation, Explanation of tabulated data; Analysis of Data – Qualitative and Quantitative; Searching for a relevant case/ relevant other data etc. on Internet
- Primary and Secondary Sources, Literature Review, Observation Method, Questionnaire, Interview, Case Study, Sampling, Analysis and Interpretation of Data: Use of Deductive and Inductive Methods in Research; Preparation of Research Report and Writing of Research Report; Budgeting of Research; Ethical and Legal Issues: Plagiarism and Copyright Violation
- Research report & techniques of writing research work; Citation rules and modes of legal writing, Case Analysis, Impact of Decisions of the Court; Exercises based on How to write a good article, Case comment etc., Drafting good Synopsis for Project, Dissertation/PhD Thesis etc., Exercises on Report Writing

SUGGESTED READING:

1. Bruce L. Berg, Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences (London, Allyn and Bacon, 2001)
2. C.R. Kothari, Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques (New Delhi: Wiley Eastern Ltd., 1985)
3. Dennis P. Force and Stephen Richer (ed.), Stages of Social Research – Contemporary Perspectives (New Jersey: Prentice Hall Inc., Englewood Cliffs, 1970)

4. Frederic Charles Hicks, *Materials and Methods in Legal Research* (Lawyers Cooperative Publishing, New York)
5. Goode and Hall, *Methods in Social Research* (Singapore: McGraw Hill Book Co., 1985)
6. Janathan Anderson, *Thesis and Assignment Writing* (Wiley Eastern Ltd., New Delhi)
7. Pauline V. Young, *Scientific Social Surveys and Research* (New Delhi: Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd., 1984)
8. S. K. Verma and Afzal Wani, *Legal Research and Methodology*, ILI, New Delhi
9. Selltitz, Jahoda et.al., *Research Methods in Social Relations* (Holt, Rinehart and Winston, New York, 1964)
10. Vijay K. Gupta, *Decision Making in the Supreme Court of India (A Jurimetric Study)– Alternatives in Judicial Research* (Delhi: Kaveri Books, 1995)
11. High Brayal, Nigel Dunean and Richard Crimes, *Clinical Legal Education: Active Learning in your Law School*, (1998) Blackstone Press Limited, London
12. S. K. Agrawal (Ed.), *Legal Education in India* (1973), Tripathi, Bombay
13. M.O. Price, H.Bitner and Bysiewicz, *Effective Legal Research* (1978)
14. William J. Grade and Paul K. Hatt, *Methods in Social Research*, Mc Graw-Hill Book Company, London
15. H. M. Hyman, *Interviewing in Social Research* (1965)
16. Payne, *The Art of Asking Questions* (1965)
17. Erwin C. Surrency, B. Fielf and J. Crea, *A Guide to Legal Research* (1959)
18. Morris L. Cohan, *Legal Research in Nutshell*, (1996), West Publishing Co.
19. Harvard Law Review Association, *Uniform System of Citations*.
20. I.L.I. Publication, *Legal Research and Methodology*

SYLLABUS

LL.M. SEMESTER III & IV

BRANCH I : CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

SCHEME AND WEIGHTAGE OF COURSE - LL.M. SEMESTER III & IV

SEMESTER – III: Constitutional Laws										
11	LLMDCC – 10	Comparative Constitutional Law – I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
12	LLMDCC – 11	Constitutional Governance and Union-State Relations – I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
13	LLMDSE – 02A	Fundamental Rights and Judicial Review – I (Student may opt any one of DSE-A-03 / DSE-B-03)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 02B	Constitutionalism and Democratic Institutions – I								
14	LLMDSE – 03A	Constitution, Elections and Political Process (Student may opt any one of DSE-04A / DSE-04B)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 03B	Constitutional Law and Social Justice								
15	LLMDCC – 12	Constituent Power, Constitutional Amendment and the Basic Structure Doctrine	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester III			20	Total Marks in Semester III		500	
SEMESTER – IV: Constitutional Laws										
16	LLMDCC – 13	Comparative Constitutional Law – II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
17	LLMDCC – 14	Constitutional Governance and Union-State Relations – II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
18	LLMDSE – 04A	Fundamental Rights and Judicial Review – II (Student may opt any one of DSE-A-03 / DSE-B-03)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Student may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 04B	Constitutionalism and Democratic Institutions – II								
19	LLMDSE – 05A	Constitutional Law in the Digital Age (Student may opt any one of DSE-04A / DSE-04B)	4	0	0	4	30 30	70 70	100	Students may opt any one
	LLMDSE – 05B	Constitutional Law, Environment and Sustainable Development								
20	LLMDCC – 15	Dissertation	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester IV			20	Total Marks in Semester IV		500	

		Total Credits in all semester (20+20+20+20)	80	Total Marks in all semesters	2000	
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Note: For LL.M. Semester-III Duration of examination for each theory course is 3 hours. Each course carries 100 marks (30 Internal Assessment + 70 End-Semester Assessment). It is mandatory to separately clear the theory and internal assessment components, with minimum qualifying marks of 40% in each.

LLMDCC – LL.M. Discipline Core Course; LLMDSE – LL.M. Discipline Specific Elective

Note: For LL.M. Semester- IV Duration of examination for each theory course is 3 hours; the Dissertation is evaluated as 70 marks (Written) + 30 marks (Viva-Voce).

LLMDCC – LL.M. Discipline Core Course; LLMDSE – LL.M. Discipline Specific Elective

Total Credits (Semester III + IV): 40 Total Marks (Semester III + IV): 1000

BRANCH I : CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

SYLLABUS

Paper I (LLMDCC-01) Comparative Constitutional Law – I

Unit I. Meaning, Nature and Scope of Constitutional Law; Distinction between Constitution and Constitutionalism; Classification of Constitutions: Written and Unwritten, Rigid and Flexible, Federal and Unitary; Sources of Constitutional Law; Constitution as an Organic and Living Document; Methods and Utility of the Comparative Constitutional Method; Constitutional Borrowing and Migration of Constitutional Ideas.

Unit II. Forms of Government: Parliamentary and Presidential Systems – A Comparative Study of India, United Kingdom and United States; the Semi-Presidential System of France; Separation of Powers and Checks and Balances: Doctrine and Practice; Rule of Law: Dicey's Formulation and its Modern Reformulation; Independence of the Judiciary in Comparative Perspective.

Unit III. Constitution-Making and Constituent Assemblies: A Comparative Study; the Preamble as an Interpretative Tool; Directive Principles and their Equivalents in Foreign Constitutions (Ireland, South Africa); Constitutional Design in Newer Democracies: South Africa 1996, Nepal 2015; Emerging Trends in Constitution Drafting.

Suggested Readings:

- D.D. Basu, Comparative Constitutional Law, LexisNexis, latest edition.
- Mahendra P. Singh (ed.), V.N. Shukla's Constitution of India, Eastern Book Company, latest edition.
- Mark Tushnet, Comparative Constitutional Law, Edward Elgar Publishing.
- Sunil Khilnani, Vikram Raghavan & Arun K. Thiruvengadam (eds.), Comparative Constitutionalism in South Asia, Oxford University Press, 2013.
- Zachary Elkins, Tom Ginsburg & James Melton, The Endurance of National Constitutions, Cambridge University Press, 2009.

Paper II (LLMDCC-02) Constitutional Governance and Union-State Relations – I

Unit I. Federalism: Concept, Classical and Modern Theories; India as a Union of States – 'Federal' or 'Quasi-Federal'; Distribution of Legislative Powers: Union, State and Concurrent Lists; Doctrine of Pith and Substance, Colourable Legislation and Repugnancy; Residuary Powers of Legislation.

Unit II. Administrative Relations between the Union and the States: Articles 256-263; All India Services; the Inter-State Council; Zonal Councils; Financial Relations: Distribution of Taxing Powers, the Finance Commission, and the Goods and Services Tax Council in the Scheme of Fiscal Federalism.

Unit III. President's Rule under Article 356: Constitutional Scheme and Judicial Checks; S.R. Bommai v. Union of India and its Aftermath; the Office of Governor: Discretionary Powers and Contemporary Controversies; Special Provisions for States: Article 371 series; Cooperative and Competitive Federalism in Contemporary India.

Suggested Readings:

- Granville Austin, Working a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience, Oxford University Press, 1999.
- M.P. Jain, Indian Constitutional Law, LexisNexis, latest edition.
- Louise Tillin, Indian Federalism, Oxford University Press, 2019.
- Rekha Saxena, Indian Politics and Federalism, Manohar Publishers.
- Akhtar Majeed, Federal India: A Design for Good Governance, Manak Publications.

Paper III (LLMDSE-A-03) Fundamental Rights and Judicial Review – I

Unit I. Fundamental Rights: Nature, Scope and Characteristics; Right to Equality: Articles 14-18 – Reasonable Classification, the Doctrine of Manifest Arbitrariness, Affirmative Action and Reservation Policy; Right to Freedom: Article 19 – Reasonable Restrictions and Contemporary Free Speech Jurisprudence.

Unit II. Right to Life and Personal Liberty: Article 21 and its Expanding Horizons – Right to Privacy, Dignity, Livelihood, a Healthy Environment, Health and Education; Procedure Established by Law and the Due Process Debate; Preventive Detention: Constitutional Safeguards under Articles 22.

Unit III. Judicial Review: Origin, Meaning and Scope under the Indian Constitution; Writ Jurisdiction: Articles 32 and 226; Public Interest Litigation – Evolution, Utility and Contemporary Challenges; Doctrine of Proportionality; Horizontal Application of Fundamental Rights.

Suggested Readings:

- Granville Austin, The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation, Oxford University Press.
- H.M. Seervai, Constitutional Law of India, Universal Law Publishing, latest edition.
- Gautam Bhatia, The Transformative Constitution, HarperCollins, 2019.
- Upendra Baxi, The Indian Supreme Court and Politics, Eastern Book Company.
- Sudhir Krishnaswamy, Democracy and Constitutionalism in India, Oxford University Press, 2009.

Paper III (LLMDSE-B-03) Constitutionalism and Democratic Institutions – I

Unit I. Constitutionalism: Meaning, Essential Features and its Distinction from the Mere Possession of a Constitution; Parliamentary Democracy in India: Composition, Powers and Privileges of Parliament; the Anti-Defection Law under the Tenth Schedule and its Judicial Interpretation; Delegated Legislation – Scope and Parliamentary Control.

Unit II. The Union Executive: President, Vice-President and Council of Ministers – Powers and Constitutional Position; Collective and Individual Ministerial Responsibility; Ordinance-Making Power under Articles 123 and 213; the State Executive – Governor and Council of Ministers.

Unit III. Constitutional Bodies and Democratic Accountability: Election Commission of India, Comptroller and Auditor General, Union and State Public Service Commissions, the Finance Commission; National Commissions for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, Women and Human Rights; Right to Information and Transparent Governance.

Suggested Readings:

- Subhash C. Kashyap, Our Constitution, National Book Trust, latest edition.
- Durga Das Basu, Introduction to the Constitution of India, LexisNexis, latest edition.
- Arun K. Thiruvengadam, The Constitution of India: A Contextual Analysis, Hart Publishing, 2017.
- Madhav Khosla, India's Founding Moment, Harvard University Press, 2020.
- P.M. Bakshi, The Constitution of India, Universal Law Publishing, latest edition.

Paper IV (LLMDSE-04A) Constitution, Elections and Political Process

Unit I. Constitutional Provisions relating to Elections: Articles 324-329; the Election Commission of India – Composition, Powers and Independence; Delimitation of Constituencies; Adult Franchise and the Representation of the People Acts, 1950 and 1951.

Unit II. Conduct of Elections: The Model Code of Conduct, Election Expenditure and Disqualification of Candidates; Electoral Offences and Corrupt Practices; Electronic Voting Machines and VVPAT – Legal and Judicial Issues; Political Parties – Registration, Recognition and Internal Democracy; Regulation of Political Funding.

Unit III. Judicial Intervention in Electoral Matters: Election Petitions and Adjudication; Criminalisation of Politics and Disqualification on Conviction; Reservation of Constituencies; Comparative Electoral Systems – First-Past-the-Post and Proportional Representation; Contemporary Debates on Simultaneous Elections and State Funding of Elections.

Suggested Readings:

- S.K. Mendiratta, How India Votes: Election Laws, Practice and Procedure, LexisNexis.
- Ornit Shani, How India Became Democratic: Citizenship and the Making of the Universal Franchise, Cambridge University Press, 2018.

- V.S. Rama Devi & S.K. Mendiratta, How India Votes, LexisNexis.
- Election Commission of India, Annual Reports and Handbooks (latest editions).
- M.V. Pylee, Select Constitutions of the World, Universal Law Publishing (chapters on comparative electoral systems).

Paper IV (LLMDSE-04B) Constitutional Law and Social Justice

Unit I. Social Justice: Meaning and Constitutional Vision; Directive Principles of State Policy – Nature, Justiciability and Relationship with Fundamental Rights; Article 21 and Socio-Economic Rights – Right to Food, Shelter, Health, Education and Work; Fundamental Duties under Article 51A.

Unit II. Reservation and Affirmative Action: Constitutional Basis under Articles 15(4), 16(4) and 16(4A); the Creamy Layer Doctrine; Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections under Articles 15(6) and 16(6); Reservation in Promotions; the Ceiling on Reservation and the Indra Sawhney Line of Cases.

Unit III. Constitutional Protection of Marginalised Groups: Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, Women, Children, Persons with Disabilities and Transgender Persons; Prevention of Atrocities and Special Legislative Measures; Access to Justice and Legal Aid under Article 39A; Contemporary Debates on Caste-Based Enumeration and Sub-Classification within Reservation.

Suggested Readings:

- Marc Galanter, Competing Equalities: Law and the Backward Classes in India, Oxford University Press.
- Granville Austin, Working a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience, Oxford University Press, 1999.
- Christophe Jaffrelot, India's Silent Revolution: The Rise of the Lower Castes in North India, Permanent Black.
- Anurag Bhaskar, The Foresighted Ambedkar, Penguin, 2023.
- Upendra Baxi, Crisis of the Indian Legal System, Vikas Publishing House.

Paper V (LLMDCC-05) Constituent Power, Constitutional Amendment and the Basic Structure Doctrine

Unit I. Constituent and Constituted Power: Theoretical Foundations; Article 368 – Procedure for Constitutional Amendment; Amendability of Fundamental Rights: Shankari Prasad, Sajjan Singh and I.C. Golak Nath; the Twenty-Fourth and Twenty-Fifth Constitutional Amendments.

Unit II. Kesavananda Bharati v. State of Kerala: Background, Holding and Significance; the Doctrine of Basic Structure – Content and Judicial Elaboration in Indira Nehru Gandhi v. Raj Narain, Minerva Mills and Waman Rao; Application of the Basic Structure Doctrine to Ordinary Legislation and Executive Action.

Unit III. Comparative Perspectives on Unamendable Constitutional Provisions: Germany, South Africa and Bangladesh; Contemporary Application of the Basic Structure Doctrine, including the NJAC Judgment; Critiques of the Basic Structure Doctrine – Counter-Majoritarian Concerns and the Judicial Supremacy Debate.

Suggested Readings:

- Sudhir Krishnaswamy, *Democracy and Constitutionalism in India: A Study of the Basic Structure Doctrine*, Oxford University Press, 2009.
- T.R. Andhyarujina, *Kesavananda Bharati Case: The Untold Story of Struggle for Supremacy by Supreme Court and Parliament*, Universal Law Publishing.
- Yaniv Roznai, *Unconstitutional Constitutional Amendments: The Limits of Amendment Powers*, Oxford University Press, 2017.
- Granville Austin, *Working a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience*, Oxford University Press, 1999.
- H.M. Seervai, *Constitutional Law of India*, Universal Law Publishing, latest edition.

LL.M. SEMESTER IV : CONSTITUTIONAL LAW**Paper I (LLMDCC-01) Comparative Constitutional Law – II**

Unit I. Bills of Rights: A Comparative Study of the United States, Canada (Charter of Rights and Freedoms), South Africa and the European Convention on Human Rights; Techniques of Rights Adjudication – Strict Scrutiny, Proportionality and the Margin of Appreciation.

Unit II. Models of Constitutional Review: the Diffuse Model (United States, India) and the Centralised or Kelsenian Model (Germany, France); Composition of Constitutional Courts; Standing and Access to Constitutional Justice in Comparative Perspective; Advisory Jurisdiction of Constitutional Courts.

Unit III. Constitutional Change: Formal Amendment versus Judicial and Political Constitutional Change; Constitutional Transplants and the Migration of Constitutional Ideas Revisited; Constitutionalism in Transitional and Post-Conflict Societies; Global Trends in Democratic Backsliding and Constitutional Resilience.

Suggested Readings:

- Vicki C. Jackson & Mark Tushnet, *Comparative Constitutional Law*, Foundation Press.
- Sujit Choudhry (ed.), *The Migration of Constitutional Ideas*, Cambridge University Press, 2006.
- Tom Ginsburg & Aziz Z. Huq, *How to Save a Constitutional Democracy*, University of Chicago Press, 2018.
- Mark Tushnet, *Weak Courts, Strong Rights*, Princeton University Press.
- Norman Dorsen, Michel Rosenfeld, Andras Sajó & Susanne Baer, *Comparative Constitutionalism: Cases and Materials*, West Academic.

Paper II (LLMDCC-02) Constitutional Governance and Union-State Relations – II

Unit I. Local Self-Government: the Seventy-Third and Seventy-Fourth Constitutional Amendments; Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies – Powers, Functions and Devolution of Finances; Decentralisation and the Principle of Subsidiarity in Constitutional Design.

Unit II. Inter-State Trade, Commerce and Water Disputes: Articles 301-307; Inter-State River Water Disputes and the Inter-State Council Mechanism; the National Capital Territory of Delhi – Special Governance Structure and Recent Controversies; Union Territories and their Constitutional Status.

Unit III. Emerging Issues in Federal Governance: Fiscal Federalism after the Goods and Services Tax; Cooperative versus Coercive Federalism; Regionalism, Linguistic Reorganisation of States and

Contemporary Demands for New States; Comparative Federal Practice – United States, Canada, Germany and Nigeria.

Suggested Readings:

- Rekha Saxena (ed.), *Varieties of Federal Governance*, Cambridge University Press India, 2011.
- M. Govinda Rao & Nirvikar Singh, *The Political Economy of Federalism in India*, Oxford University Press, 2005.
- Louise Tillin, *Indian Federalism*, Oxford University Press, 2019.
- Balveer Arora & Douglas V. Verney (eds.), *Multiple Identities in a Single State: Indian Federalism in Comparative Perspective*, Konark Publishers.
- George Mathew, *Panchayati Raj in India: An Overview*, Concept Publishing Company.

Paper III (LLMDSE-A-03) Fundamental Rights and Judicial Review – II

Unit I. Right to Freedom of Religion: Articles 25-28; the Concept of Secularism and its Indian Variant; the Essential Religious Practices Test; the Uniform Civil Code Debate under Article 44 and Judicial Pronouncements.

Unit II. Cultural and Educational Rights: Articles 29-30; Rights of Religious and Linguistic Minorities; Right to Constitutional Remedies under Article 32 as a Fundamental Right in Itself; the Basic Structure Doctrine and its Relationship with Fundamental Rights; Limitation and Balancing of Rights in a Constitutional Democracy.

Unit III. Emergency Provisions: National Emergency (Article 352), President's Rule (Article 356) and Financial Emergency (Article 360); Effect of Emergency on Fundamental Rights; the Forty-Fourth Amendment Safeguards; Comparative Study of Emergency Powers and Judicial Response.

Suggested Readings:

- H.M. Seervai, *Constitutional Law of India*, Universal Law Publishing, latest edition.
- Gary Jeffrey Jacobsohn, *The Wheel of Law: India's Secularism in Comparative Constitutional Context*, Princeton University Press, 2003.
- Rajeev Bhargava (ed.), *Secularism and its Critics*, Oxford University Press.
- Granville Austin, *The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation*, Oxford University Press.
- Faizan Mustafa & Jagteshwar Singh Sohi, *Reading the Constitution: Select Themes*, LexisNexis.

Paper III (LLMDSE-B-03) Constitutionalism and Democratic Institutions – II

Unit I. The Judiciary under the Constitution: Appointment, Transfer and Removal of Judges; the Collegium System and the National Judicial Appointments Commission Judgment; Judicial Accountability and In-House Procedures; Contempt of Court – Constitutional and Statutory Framework.

Unit II. Independence of the Judiciary: Comparative Constitutional Guarantees; Judicial Activism, Judicial Restraint and the Debate on Judicial Overreach; Public Accountability of Constitutional Functionaries; Right to Information vis-à-vis Institutional Independence.

Unit III. Contemporary Challenges to Democratic Institutions: Institutional Erosion and Constitutional Morality; the Role of Civil Society and the Media in Constitutional Democracy; Constitutional Ethics and the Idea of a Living Constitution; Comparative Study of Institutional Safeguards for Democracy.

Suggested Readings:

- Abhinav Chandrachud, *The Informal Constitution: Unwritten Criteria in Selecting Judges for the Supreme Court of India*, Oxford University Press, 2014.
- George H. Gadbois Jr., *Judges of the Supreme Court of India: 1950-1989*, Oxford University Press, 2011.
- Nick Robinson, *A Court Adrift*, LexisNexis.
- Pratap Bhanu Mehta, *The Burden of Democracy*, Penguin Books.
- Madhav Khosla, *India's Founding Moment*, Harvard University Press, 2020.

Paper IV (LLMDSE-04A) Constitutional Law in the Digital Age

Unit I. Right to Privacy as a Fundamental Right: Justice K.S. Puttaswamy v. Union of India and its Aftermath; Informational Privacy and Data Protection – Constitutional Basis and Statutory Framework; Aadhaar and the Constitutional Debate on Surveillance, Identity and Welfare Delivery.

Unit II. Freedom of Speech and Expression in the Digital Sphere: Intermediary Liability, Internet Shutdowns and Article 19; Regulation of Social Media and Over-the-Top Platforms – Constitutional Concerns; the Right to be Forgotten and Digital Reputation.

Unit III. Artificial Intelligence, Algorithmic Governance and the Constitution: Algorithmic Decision-Making and the Right to a Fair Hearing; Facial Recognition Technology and Constitutional Limits on State Surveillance; Comparative Approaches to Data Protection and Artificial Intelligence Regulation.

Suggested Readings:

- Justice K.S. Puttaswamy (Retd.) v. Union of India, (2017) 10 SCC 1, and subsequent case law on privacy and data protection.
- Rahul Matthan, *Privacy 3.0: Unlocking Our Data-Driven Future*, HarperCollins, 2018.
- Anupam Chander, *The Electronic Silk Road: How the Web Binds the World Together in Commerce*, Yale University Press.
- Vrinda Bhandari & Karan Lahiri, 'The Surveillance State, Privacy and Criminal Investigation in India', *National Law School of India Review* (relevant issue).
- Report of the Committee of Experts on Data Protection (Justice B.N. Srikrishna Committee), Government of India, and the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023.

Paper IV (LLMDSE-04B) Constitutional Law, Environment and Sustainable Development

Unit I. Constitutional Basis of Environmental Protection: Articles 48A and 51A(g); Right to a Healthy Environment as Part of Article 21; Judicial Doctrines – Polluter Pays, the Precautionary Principle, the Public Trust Doctrine and Sustainable Development.

Unit II. Environmental Litigation and Institutional Mechanisms: Public Interest Litigation in Environmental Matters; the National Green Tribunal – Constitutional and Statutory Basis; the Principle of Inter-Generational Equity and Constitutional Environmental Rights.

Unit III. Climate Change and Constitutional Law: The Right against the Adverse Effects of Climate Change; Comparative Environmental Constitutionalism – South Africa, Ecuador and France; Constitutional Dimensions of the Sustainable Development Goals and India's Environmental Federalism.

Suggested Readings:

- Shyam Divan & Armin Rosencranz, *Environmental Law and Policy in India*, Oxford University Press, latest edition.
- Gitanjali Nain Gill, *Environmental Justice in India: The National Green Tribunal*, Routledge, 2017.
- Lavanya Rajamani & Jacqueline Peel, *International Climate Change Law*, Oxford University Press.
- James R. May & Erin Daly, *Global Environmental Constitutionalism*, Cambridge University Press, 2015.
- P. Leelakrishnan, *Environmental Law in India*, LexisNexis, latest edition.

Paper V (LLMDCC) Dissertation**Scheme of Paper:**

Maximum Marks: 100 Minimum Pass Marks: 40

This paper shall have two components:

- Dissertation (Written Part) – 70 Marks (to be evaluated by three different experts).
- Viva-Voce (External) – 30 Marks (to be conducted by the University).

Guidelines relating to the Dissertation:

- The prescribed formats for the Cover Page, Associated Pages and Final Written Document shall be made available by the Head, Department of Law, in the office and on the University website for download.
- The titles of the individual chapters, framed under the guidance of the supervisor, shall establish a clear link with the main title of the research work.
- Every chapter shall carry an 'Introduction' and a 'Conclusion' describing the work undertaken by the candidate in that chapter.
- Before the close of each chapter, the candidate shall summarise the chapter briefly, indicating what will be researched in the succeeding chapter, and each succeeding chapter shall recall what was addressed previously.
- Page numbers for the associated (preliminary) pages shall be in Roman numerals; from the Introduction chapter (Chapter One) onward, page numbers shall run 01, 02 and so on.
- The dissertation shall be of a minimum of ninety (90) pages, hard-bound, with the top cover in sky-blue with black embossed lettering.
- The entire research work shall conform to the standard Indian Law Institute (ILI) footnoting style, as updated from time to time (available on the ILI website).
- The Viva-Voce shall be conducted by an External Examiner recommended through the Dean, Faculty of Law, as per applicable rules.
- For the Viva-Voce, the candidate shall prepare a 10–15-minute PowerPoint or oral presentation of the research work, in consultation with the supervisor, to be presented before the External Examiner on the date fixed by the Department.
- Personal appearance at the Viva-Voce, in the same session, on the notified date, is mandatory to pass this paper, and no grace marks shall be awarded in the Viva-Voce examination.
- Four (4) bound copies of the dissertation shall be submitted to the Department of Law by the notified last date (three for External Examiners and one for the Supervisor), and there shall be no revaluation of the dissertation.

- Each supervisor shall ensure that the dissertation submitted by the candidate satisfies the applicable research ethics and conforms to the prescribed common format, including a plagiarism/similarity check as per University and UGC norms.

BRANCH II : BUSINESS LAWS

LL.M. — SEMESTER III & IV

SCHEME AND WEIGHTAGE OF COURSE

SEMESTER – III: Business Laws										
11	DCC – 10	General Principles of Contract	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
12	DCC – 11	Company Law -I	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
13	DSE – 02A	Law Relating to Negotiable Instrument Act	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	Student may opt any one
	DSE – 02B	Law Relating to Bankruptcy					30	70		
14	DSE – 03A	Competition & Consumer Protection Laws	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	Student may opt any one
	DSE – 03B	Indian Partnership Act, 1932					30	70		
15	DCC – 12	Commercial Arbitration	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester III			20	Total Marks in Semester III		500	
SEMESTER – IV: Business Laws										
16	DCC – 13	Special Contracts	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
17	DCC – 14	Company Law -II	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
18	DSE – 04A	Sale of Goods Act, 1930	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	Student may opt any one
	DSE – 04B	Law of Export & Import Regulation					30	70		
19	DSE – 05A	Corporate Finance	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	Students may opt any one
	DSE – 05B	Banking Law					30	70		
20	DCC – 15	Dissertation	4	0	0	4	30	70	100	
			Total Credits in Semester IV			20	Total Marks in Semester IV		500	
		Total Credits in all semester (20+20+20+20)				80	Total Marks in all semesters		2000	

BRANCH II : BUSINESS LAWS

SYLLABUS

SEMESTER - III

Paper 11 (LLMDCC-10) : General Principles of Contract

Unit I: History and Nature of Contract - Agreement and Contract, Essential elements Sec 2-10. Proposal and Acceptance Sec 3-9, Consideration Sec 2(d), 23, 25, Exceptions, Doctrine of Privity.

Unit II: Capacity to Contract Sec 10-12, Minor's Agreement, Free Consent - Coercion, Undue Influence, Fraud, Misrepresentation, Mistake Sec 13-22. Void Agreements Sec 23-30, Contingent Contracts Sec 31-36.

Unit III: Discharge of Contract - Performance, Breach, Impossibility Sec 37-67, Quasi Contracts Sec 68-72, Remedies for Breach - Damages, Quantum Meruit, Specific Performance.

Suggested Readings:

1. Pollock, Frederick & Mulla, Dinshah Fardunji.
2. Pollock & Mulla - The Indian Contract and Specific Relief Acts. 15th Edition, LexisNexis, 2018.
3. Singh, Avtar. Contract and Specific Relief. 12th Edition, Eastern Book Company, Lucknow, 2020.
4. Bangia, R.K. Law of Contract-I. 7th Edition, Allahabad Law Agency, 2020.
5. Anson, W.R. Anson's Law of Contract. 30th Edition, Oxford University Press, 2016.
6. Beatson, Jack, Burrows, Andrew & Cartwright, John. Anson's Law of Contract. 30th Ed., OUP, 2016.

Paper 12 (LLMDCC-11) : Company Law – I

Unit I: Evolution of Company Law, Definition, Characteristics, Lifting of Corporate Veil, Types of Companies - Private, Public, OPC, Small Company, Holding & Subsidiary. Incorporation - MOA, AOA, Promoters.

Unit II: Prospectus - Definition, Contents, Misrepresentation, Shares - Issue, Allotment, Transfer, Transmission, Dividend, Debentures, Shareholders and Members.

Unit III: Management - Directors - Appointment, Powers, Duties, Liabilities, Meetings - Board Meeting, General Meeting, Prevention of Oppression & Mismanagement Sec 241-246.

Suggested Readings:

1. Ramaiya, A. Guide to the Companies Act. 18th Edition, LexisNexis, 2014-15.
2. Singh, Avtar. Company Law. 17th Edition, Eastern Book Company, 2018.
3. Davies, Paul L. & Worthington, Sarah. Gower & Davies Principles of Modern Company Law. 10th Edition, Sweet & Maxwell, 2016.
4. Taxmann. Companies Act 2013 with Rules. Taxmann Publications, 2023.

5. Sealy, Len & Worthington, Sarah. Sealy's Cases and Materials in Company Law. 10th Ed., OUP, 2013.

Paper 13 (LLMDCCE-02A) : Law Relating to Negotiable Instrument Act, 1882

Unit I: Introduction - Definition, Characteristics of Negotiable Instrument, Types - Promissory Note, Bill of Exchange, Cheque Sec 4-7, Difference, Presumptions Sec 118-119, Inland and Foreign Instruments.

Unit II: Parties to Negotiable Instrument - Holder and Holder in Due Course Sec 8-11, Liabilities, Negotiation - Endorsement Sec 15-59, Presentment and Discharge Sec 61-90.

Unit III: Dishonour of Cheque Sec 138-147, Banker and Customer Relationship, Crossing of Cheques Sec 123-131, Recent Amendments 2015, 2018.

Suggested Readings:

1. Khergamvala, J.S. The Negotiable Instruments Act. 21st Edition, LexisNexis, 2017.
2. Bhashyam & Adiga. The Negotiable Instruments Act. 20th Edition, Bharat Law House, 2015.
3. Tannan, M.L. Banking Law and Practice in India. 26th Edition, LexisNexis, 2017.
4. Singh, Avtar. Negotiable Instruments. 6th Edition, Eastern Book Company, 2019. Act,
5. Bare. The Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 as amended by Act No. 20 of 2018.

Paper 13 (LLMDCCE-02B) : Law Relating to Bankruptcy

Unit I: Concept of Bankruptcy & Insolvency, History in India, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 - Objectives, Structure, Authorities - NCLT, NCLAT, IBBI, Insolvency Professionals.

Unit II: Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) Sec 6-32A, Liquidation Process Sec 33-54, Fast Track Insolvency Sec 55-58.

Unit III: Insolvency of Individuals and Partnership Firms Sec 78-187, Cross Border Insolvency, Comparison with US Bankruptcy Code and UK Law.

Suggested Readings:

1. Sahoo, M.S. & et.al. Indian Insolvency Law. Taxmann, 2020.
2. Batra, Sumant. Corporate Insolvency - Law and Practice. 2nd Edition, Eastern Book Company, 2019.
3. Makhija, Ashish. Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code of India. LexisNexis, 2018.
4. ICSI. Insolvency - Law and Practice. ICSI Study Material, 2022.
5. Bare Act,. The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016. Professional Publication, 2023.

Paper 14 (LLMDCCE-03A) : Competition & Consumer Protection Laws

Unit I: Competition Act 2002 - Anti-Competitive Agreements Sec 3, Abuse of Dominant Position Sec 4, CCI - Powers, Functions, Competition Advocacy.

Unit II: Combinations - Merger, Acquisition, Control Sec 5-6, Procedure of Enquiry, Penalties. Interface of Competition Law and IPR.

Unit III: Consumer Protection Act 2019 - Definition of Consumer, Defect, Deficiency, Unfair Trade Practice, Consumer Dispute Redressal Commissions - District, State, National, E-Commerce Rules 2020, Product Liability.

Suggested Readings:

1. Dugar, S.M. Guide to Competition Law. 6th Edition, LexisNexis, 2018.
2. Ramappa, T. Competition Law in India. 3rd Edition, Oxford University Press, 2014.
3. Singh, Avtar. Competition Law. 2nd Edition, Eastern Book Company, 2020.
4. Singh, Avtar & Kaur, Harpreet. Introduction to Consumer Protection. 3rd Edition, Eastern Book Company, 2020.
5. BareAct, The Competition Act, 2002 & The Consumer Protection Act, 2019. Universal Law Publishing, 2023.

Paper 14 (LLMDCCE-03B) : Indian Partnership Act, 1932

Unit I: Nature of Partnership - Sec 4, Essentials, Mode of Determining Existence Sec 6, Partnership Deed, Types of Partners, Minor Sec 30, Registration Sec 56-71, Effects of Non-registration.

Unit II: Mutual Relations - Rights and Duties of Partners Sec 9-17, Relation with Third Parties - Implied Authority Sec 18-20, Liability of Firm Sec 25-27, Incoming and Outgoing Partners Sec 31-38.

Unit III: Dissolution of Firm Sec 39-55, Settlement of Accounts, Sale of Goodwill, LLP Act 2008 - Difference, Conversion, Recent Developments, Arbitration in Partnership Disputes.

Suggested Readings:

1. Mulla, Dinshah Fardunji. The Indian Partnership Act. 8th Edition, LexisNexis Butterworths, 2016.
2. Singh, Avtar. Law of Partnership - Principles and Practice. 5th Edition, Eastern Book Company, 2015.
3. Bangia, R.K. Law of Partnership. Allahabad Law Agency, 2018.
4. Lindley, Nathaniel & Banks, Roderick I'Anson. Lindley & Banks on Partnership. 19th Edition, Sweet & Maxwell, 2010.
5. BareAct,. The Indian Partnership Act, 1932 & The Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008. Professional, 2023.

Paper 15 (LLMDCC-12) : Commercial Arbitration

Unit I: Evolution of Arbitration, Arbitration & Conciliation Act 1996 - Definitions, Arbitration Agreement Sec 7, Types - Domestic, International, Institutional and Ad-hoc.

Unit II: Arbitral Tribunal - Appointment, Jurisdiction, Procedure Sec 18-27, Interim Measures Sec 9, 17, Award - Form, Contents, Correction Sec 28-33.

Unit III: Recourse Against Award Sec 34, Enforcement Sec 36, Appeal, Conciliation Sec 61-81, UNCITRAL Model Law, Online Dispute Resolution (ODR).

Suggested Readings:

1. Malhotra, O.P. & Malhotra, Indu. The Law and Practice of Arbitration and Conciliation. 3rd Edition, LexisNexis, 2014.
2. Redfern, Alan & Hunter, Martin. Redfern and Hunter on International Arbitration. 6th Edition, Oxford University Press, 2015.
3. Saraf, B.P. & Jhunjhunwala, M. Law of Arbitration and Conciliation. 5th Edition, Snow White, 2017.

4. Kwatra, G.K. Arbitration and Conciliation Law of India. 7th Edition, Universal Law Publishing, 2016.
5. BareAct,. The Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended in 2015, 2019 & 202

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Paper 16 (LLMDCC-13) : Special Contracts

Unit I: Indemnity and Guarantee Sec 124-147 - Rights, Surety's Liability, Discharge. Bailment Sec 148-181 and Pledge Sec 172-181.

Unit II: Agency - Creation, Types, Authority, Sub-agent, Duties of Agent and Principal, Termination of Agency Sec 182-238.

Unit III: E-Contracts, Government Contracts - Art 298-299 of Constitution, Standard Form Contracts, Unconscionability.

Suggested Readings:

1. Pollock, F. & Mulla, D.F. - Indian Contract & Specific Relief Acts. Vol 2, 15th Ed., LexisNexis, 2018.
2. Singh, Avtar. Law of Contract & Specific Relief. 12th Ed., EBC, 2020.
3. Chitty, Joseph. Chitty on Contracts. Volume 2, 33rd Edition, Sweet & Maxwell, 2018.

Paper 17 (LLMDCC-14) : Company Law – II

Unit I: Company Administration - Company Secretary, KMP, CSR Sec 135, Accounts and Audit, Investigation and Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO).

Unit II: Compromise, Arrangement and Amalgamation Sec 230-240, Winding Up Sec 270-365 - Modes, Official Liquidator, NCLT Powers.

Unit III: Securities Law - SEBI Act 1992, SEBI Regulations - Insider Trading, Takeover Code, Depositories Act 1996, Corporate Governance - Clause 49.

Suggested Readings:

1. Ramaiya, A. Guide to Companies Act. 19th Ed., LexisNexis, 2020.
2. Gower, L.C.B. & Davies, P.L. Principles of Modern Company Law. 10th Ed., Sweet & Maxwell, 2016.
3. SEBI Manual with SEBI (LODR) Regulations. Taxmann, 2023.

Paper 18 (LLMDSE-04A) : Sale of Goods Act, 1930

Unit I: Contract of Sale - Definition, Essentials, Sale vs Agreement to Sell, Goods - Types, Document of Title, Price Sec 2-10.

Unit II: Conditions and Warranties Sec 11-17, Caveat Emptor and Exceptions, Transfer of Property Sec 18-26, Transfer of Title by Non-owner Sec 27-30.

Unit III: Performance of Contract Sec 31-44, Rights of Unpaid Seller Sec 45-54, Remedies for Breach Sec 55-61, Auction Sale Sec 64.

Suggested Readings:

1. Pollock, F. & Mulla, D.F. The Sale of Goods Act. 10th Edition, LexisNexis, 2019.

2. Singh, Avtar. Sale of Goods. 8th Edition, Eastern Book Company, 2019.
3. Atiyah's Sale of Goods. 13th Edition, Pearson, 2016.

Paper 18 (LLMDSE-04B) : Law of Export & Import Regulation

Unit I: EXIM Policy - Historical Background, Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act 1992, DGFT, Types of Export Licenses.

Unit II: Customs Act 1962 - Levy, Valuation, Classification, Prohibition and Regulation of Import/Export, Warehousing, Drawback.

Unit III: FEMA 1999 - Regulation of Foreign Exchange, FDI Policy, Export Promotion Schemes - SEZ, EOU, International Treaties - WTO, GATT.

Suggested Readings:

1. Government of India. Foreign Trade Policy 2023. Ministry of Commerce, DGFT, 2023.
2. Singh, Avtar. Law of Carriage and Export-Import. EBC, 2018.
3. Bare Act,. The Customs Act, 1962 & The Foreign Trade (D&R) Act, 1992.

Paper 19 (LLMDSE-05A) : Corporate Finance

Unit I: Meaning, Objectives, Sources of Corporate Finance - Equity, Debt, Retained Earnings, SEBI Guidelines on Capital Issue, Prospectus.

Unit II: Capital Structure - Theories, Debentures and Bonds, Dividends - Theories, Declaration, Payment, Protection of Creditors.

Unit III: Corporate Restructuring - Mergers, Demergers, Buy-back of Securities, Corporate Taxation - Basic Concepts.

Suggested Readings:

1. Chandra, Prasanna. Financial Management - Theory and Practice. 10th Ed., McGraw Hill, 2019.
2. Brealey, Richard A., Myers, Stewart C. & Allen, Franklin. Principles of Corporate Finance. 12th Ed., McGraw Hill, 2016.
3. Srivastava, R.M. Essentials of Business Finance. Himalaya Publishing, 2018.

Paper 19 (LLMDSE-05B) : Banking Law

Unit I: Evolution of Banking, Banking Regulation Act 1949 - Functions of RBI, Licensing, Types of Banks, Banker-Customer Relationship, KYC Norms.

Unit II: Negotiable Instruments and Banking Operations, Lending - Principles, Securities - Pledge, Mortgage, Hypothecation, NPA - SARFAESI Act 2002, DRT Act 1993.

Unit III: Central Banking - RBI Act 1934, Monetary Policy, Digital Banking - UPI, E-Banking Frauds, Banking Ombudsman.

Suggested Readings:

1. Tannan, M.L. Tannan's Banking Law and Practice in India. 26th Ed., LexisNexis, 2017.
2. Varshney, P.N. Banking Law and Practice. 31st Ed., Sultan Chand & Sons, 2021.
3. Act, Bare. The Banking Regulation Act, 1949 & The SARFAESI Act, 2002.

Paper 20 (LLMDCC-15) : Dissertation

Scheme of Paper:

Maximum Marks: 100 Minimum Pass Marks: 40

This paper shall have two components:

- Dissertation (Written Part) – 70 Marks (to be evaluated by three different experts).
- Viva-Voce (External) – 30 Marks (to be conducted by the University).

Guidelines relating to the Dissertation:

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- The titles of the individual chapters, framed under the guidance of the supervisor, shall establish a clear link with the main title of the research work.
- Every chapter shall carry an 'Introduction' and a 'Conclusion' describing the work undertaken by the candidate in that chapter.
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- Page numbers for the associated (preliminary) pages shall be in Roman numerals; from the Introduction chapter (Chapter One) onward, page numbers shall run 01, 02 and so on.
- The dissertation shall be of a minimum of ninety (90) pages, hard-bound, with the top cover in sky-blue with black embossed lettering.
- The entire research work shall conform to the standard Indian Law Institute (ILI) footnoting style, as updated from time to time (available on the ILI website).
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- Each supervisor shall ensure that the dissertation submitted by the candidate satisfies the applicable research ethics and conforms to the prescribed common format, including a plagiarism/similarity check as per University and UGC norms

Suggested Readings:

1. Kothari, C.R. & Garg, Gaurav. Research Methodology - Methods and Techniques, 4th Ed., New Age International, 2019.
2. Verma, S.K. & Wani, Afzal. Legal Research Methodology. ILI Publication, 2019.
3. The Bluebook. A Uniform System of Citation. 21st Edition, Harvard Law Review Association, 2020.

Common Books for All Papers:

1. Avtar Singh - Business Laws
2. Mulla / Pollock & Mulla on Contract & Partnership
3. Bare Acts - Universal / TaxmannTaxmann's Company Law & SEBI

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