OR

MDC 3F: HUMAN RIGHTS

(Credits: Theory-03) **Theory: 45 Lectures** 

Marks: 75 (ESE: 3 Hrs) = 75 Pass Marks: Th (ESE) = 30

### **Course Learning Objectives:**

The course on Human Rights aims to:

- Provide an understanding of the concept of Human Rights, its classifications, and the correlation between rights and duties.
- 2. Offer an insight on the global efforts and major instruments for promotion of Human Rights.
- 3. Enable critical understanding of the Constitutional provisions, role of judiciary and other statutory/legal bodies as well as civil society agencies in promotion of Human Rights in India.
- 4. Make students grasp the nature, issues and concerns of Human Rights in Indian society and the challenges in its implementation.

#### **Course Learning Outcomes:**

- 1. The course on Human Rights would enable students to:
- 2. Have a nuanced understanding of the concept and dimensions of Human Rights as well as prerequisites for translation of its objectives and principles into reality.
- 3. Understand and appreciate the global efforts, standards and instruments for promotion of Human Rights.
- 4. Comprehend the Constitutional provisions, contributions of the judiciary, and the efforts of state and civil society institutions in promotion and defence of Human Rights.
- 5. Critically reflect on the nature and issues in Indian society that affects the practice and translation of Human

## **Course Content:**

## **Unit I: An Introduction to Human Rights**

- 1. Values Dignity, Liberty, Equality, Justice, Unity in Diversity,
- 2. Human Rights Meaning, features, scope and Significance of the study,
- 3. Classification of Human Rights,
- 4. The Human Rights of First generation (Civil and Political Rights), Second generation (Economic, Social and Cultural Rights), Third generation (Collective Rights) and Fourth generation (Subjective Rights)

## Unit II: International Protection and promotion of Human Rights

- 1. Universal Declaration of Human Rights, RTI as Human Right
- 2. International Covenants –ICCPR and ICESCR, Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, 1979 and Convention on the Rights of the Child, 1989.

#### Unit III: Human Rights in India

- 1. Human Rights and Fundamental Rights,
- 2. Fundamental Rights and Fundamental Duties, Directive Principles,
- 3. Role of Judiciary in the protection of Human Rights.

### Unit IV: Protection and promotion of Human Rights in India

- 1. National Human Rights Commission-Composition and functions, Jharkhand State Human Rights Commission Composition and functions,
- 2. Human Rights and NGOs, Human Rights and Media, Minorities' Commission, Women' Commission

# Unit V: Issues and concerns in Human Rights

- 1. Changing dimensions of Human Rights, Challenges to Human Rights promotion in India Poverty, Illiteracy, Communal and caste conflicts, patriarchal values, lack of inclusive development,
- 2. Human Rights and Terrorism,
- 3. Human Rights and problems of health and environment,
- 4. Discrimination and violence against women, children, Dalits and Minorities, Child Labour and Bonded Labour.