

Add-on Course: CONSTITUTIONAL LITERACY
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Course Outcome:

All citizens must possess a fundamental comprehension of the laws of their country. This course aids in becoming familiar with the Indian Constitution's text through notable cases. To gain a comprehensive awareness of the Indian administration's operations, as well as the fundamental rights and duties of Indian citizens, various significant themes have been included.

Course Objectives:

- To understand the history and making behind the Indian Constitution and Preamble.
- To understand the Centre-State structure, different tiers of administration, division of powers, and process
- To learn about the rights and duties of every Indian Citizen.
- Importance and Process of Election and Judiciary
- Landmark and Recent Cases Influencing Indian System.

Course Outline:

This course is divided into **five units** with respective sub-topics.

UNIT 1

- Making of Indian Constitution, Constituent Assembly, Drafting Committee.
- The Preamble.

UNIT 2

- Basic Features of the Indian Constitution.
- Citizenship in India, The Citizenship Act.
- Characteristics of Fundamental Rights and Duties.
- Article 14-32

UNIT 3

- Center-state relationship
- Central Administration
- State Administration
- Panchayat and Local Administration

UNIT 4

- Judiciary, Judicial Activism
- Elections
- Emergency Powers
- Amendment of the Constitution

UNIT 5

- Women's Rights in India
- Landmark and Recent Cases in India

Activity Flow

- 1) Orientation to the Course
- 2) Theoretical Study
- 3) Screening of Documentary
- 4) Library time
- 5) Evaluation hours
- 6) Distribution of Certificates

Reading List

Unit-wise suggested readings will be provided later.