

BA.LL.B (HONS.) – II-SEMESTER

INDIAN PENAL CODE

COURSE CODE:

Course Objectives: Criminal elements in the society cannot be completely ruled out but they can be controlled and punished through criminal legislations. In India, Indian Penal Code, 1860 is the substantive law which primarily concerns the crimes in the society. The main objective of this Course is to give an overview of all the offences and punishments with the help of various provisions and recent amendments in Criminal Law.

Course Outcomes:

1. To understand the crimes in the society and various types of crimes
2. To understand the historical development of criminal laws in India
3. To analyse and interpret various offences and punishments
4. To analyse and interpret various judicial decisions of High Courts and Supreme Court
5. To analyse the applicability of recent amendments in criminal law

UNIT-I: History, Introduction, types of crimes, theories of punishment; Indian Penal Code, 1860-Extent and operation of the Code; General Explanations overview viz. Mens rea (guilty mind), Actus Reus (Act or Omission), Stages of commission of crime Intention, Preparation, Attempt, Accomplishment. Punishments viz. General Exceptions Mistake of fact, Accident, Absence of criminal intent, private defence

UNIT-II: Offences Against Human Body/ Property human body viz. culpable homicide, murder, Hurt and grievous hurt, wrongful restraint, kidnapping and abduction, slavery, Assault and Criminal Force; offences against the property-theft, extortion, robbery, dacoit, criminal misappropriation of property, criminal breach of trust, cheating etc.

UNIT-III: Offences against Women: offences such as miscarriage, infanticide etc. Outraging the modesty of a woman, Assault or criminal force with intent to outrage the women, Rape, Custodial rape, Criminal Amendment Act, 2013

UNIT-IV: Offence against State/ Public Order and Morals- Abetment, Types of Abetment; Criminal Conspiracy, essential features; Waging or attempting to wage war, or abetting waging war against the Government, Sedition, Mutiny; Offences relating to Government Stamps and Coins; Unlawful Assembly and its essential features, Rioting, Affray; Criminal intimidation; Adulteration of food and drink; Offences relating to religion, offences relating to the Elections.

UNIT-V: Offences Against Public Justice/Public Servants –false evidence and offences against public justice-giving or fabricating false evidence, causing disappearance of evidence, abuse of process of Court of justice, offences against public servants; Contempt of the lawful authority of public servants- avoidance or prevention of service of summons, notice or order, and disobeying the orders by public servant; Defamation and privileges

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