# **BA.LL.B (HONS.) –VI-SEMESTER**

## **ENVIRONMENTAL LAW**

## **COURSE CODE:**

**Course Objectives:** Environmental protection has gained utmost importance due to warming earth. There are many laws that talk about environmental protection and sustainable development. The main objective of this Course is to have a glance at significant law and policy developments in Indian and also at the global level.

### **Course Outcomes:**

- 1. To understand the importance of environment and its protection for the sustainable development in the society
- 2. To understand the basic principles and doctrines of environmental law
- 3. To analyse the global development of international environmental law and policy
- 4. To analyse the constitutional perspectives of environmental law
- 5. To analyse and interpret the legislations and judicial decisions relating to environment in India

**UNIT-I:** Introduction to Environment Law-Understanding Environment, Nature and Ecosystem; Origin of Environmental Law, Sustainable Development and Environment Sustainable Development and Environmental Governance, Right to Environment as Human Right, Environmental Movements in India

UNIT-II: Environmental Law and Policy, Environmental Equity and Governance; Emergence of International Environmental Law, Fundamental Principles, Application of International Environmental Law, Introduction to Trade & Environment; Nature and Origin of International Environmental Organisations, Dispute Settlement Mechanisms International Environmental Law and Policy, UNFCCC, 1992 & Kyoto Protocol, 1997, Treaty on Antarctic & Polar Regions, 1961; UN Convention of Law of the Seas, 1982 and Regional Seas Convention, Convention on Biodiversity (CBD), Access and Benefit Sharing of Genetic and Biological Resources; Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, 2000; International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV Convention)

**UNIT-III:** Environment Protect Act, 1986, The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981; The Water Prevention and Control of Pollution Act, 1974; The National Green Tribunal Act, 2010; Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991; Wildlife Protection Act, 1972

**UNIT-IV:** Environmental Law and the Indian Constitution, Public Interest Litigation in Environmental disputes; Other Major Laws and Environment (IPC, Cr.PC, Torts), The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013; Forest Conservation Act, 1980; The Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers Act, 2006; Panchayats Extension to Scheduled Areas (PESA) Act 1996

**UNIT-V:** Emerging trends in Environmental Law- Climate Change issues, Paris Agreement on Climate Change, 2015; Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development, Environmental refugee crisis

### **Text Books:**

- 1. P Leelakrishnan, Environmental Law in India, 5th Edition, LexisNexis, 2019
- 2. Prof. Satish C. Shastri, Environmental Law, 6th Edition, EBC, Rep. 2021
- 3. P.B. Sahasranaman, Handbook of Environmental Law, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Oxford University Press, 2012