

SEM II

GENERAL ENGLISH – II

- I. Vocabulary: UNITS: 15
1. Foreign words and phrases (important Latin and English affixes)
 2. Idiomatic expressions
 3. One-word substitutions
 4. Words often confused
- II. Comprehension Skills and compositional Skills: UNITS: 20
1. Precis-writing and Summarising
 2. Drafting of Reports
 3. Comprehension passages
 4. Essay-writing on topics of legal interest
- III. Speech Training: UNITS: 20
1. Reading aloud (knowledge of proper pauses)
 2. Key sounds, their discrimination and accent
 3. Consulting a Pronouncing Dictionary
 4. Rapid reading and Debating exercises
- IV. Detailed Study: UNITS: 15
1. *Advice to a young man interested in going into Law* - by Felix Frankfurter
 2. *The victimisation of witnesses* –by Lord Denning
 3. *Cross-examination of Pigott before the Parnell Commission*–by Sir Charles Russell
 4. *On the entirely reasonable murder of a police constable*-by George Bernard Shaw
- V. Comprehension of Legal Texts (Detailed Study): UNITS: 05
1. *Why Criminals Are Acquitted* –by Justice A.S. Anand
 2. *Curbing Crime*– by Justice R.P.Sethi

Note: The units mentioned above include internal assessment hours.

LAW OF CONTRACT – I

I. General Principles of Contract

UNITS: 12X5=60

1. Nature of Contract
2. Definition, Essentials for valid Contract
3. Agreement:
Definition of agreement
Definition of Offer, Essentials, kinds and lapse of offer

Definition of Acceptance, Essentials of a valid acceptance, Revocation of acceptance
Standard Forms of Contracts
4. Consideration:
Definition, Essentials of Consideration, Kinds of Consideration, Agreements without Consideration, Exceptions to the rule, Privity of Contract, Indian and English Concept of Privity.
5. Capacity:
Agreements with Minor, Unsound mind persons and Persons Disqualified by law
6. Free Consent
Voidable contracts: Coercion, undue influence, Misrepresentation, Fraud and Mistake
7. Legality of Object
Effect of Illegal Agreements, Various Illegal Agreements and Agreements opposing public policy
8. Void Agreements:
Effect of void agreements, various void agreements
9. Contingent Contracts
10. Discharge of Contracts:
Discharge by performance: reciprocal promises and its performance, Joint promises, nature and liability of Joint promises,
Discharge by Impossibility: Kinds of Impossibility, Doctrine of frustration, Position in India and Exceptions to Doctrine of Frustration.
Discharge by Agreement: Novation and Remission of performance.

Discharge by Breach: Kinds of breach and effect of breach of contract.
11. Remedies for Breach of Contract:
Kinds of Remedies Damages: Remoteness of Damages, Measure of damages Kinds of damages, Quantum Meruit.
12. Quasi Contracts:
Basis for quasi-contractual relations. Kinds of quasi contracts

II. Government Contracts:

UNITS: 05

Essentials of Government Contracts. Contractual Liability of Government. Application of principles of quasi contracts in Government Contracts.

III. Specific Relief Act:

UNITS: 10

Definitions, Recovering Possession of Property, Specific performance of contracts Rectification of instruments, Rescission of Contracts, cancellation of Instruments, Declaratory Decrees, Injunction Kinds of Injunctions.

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SUGGESTED READINGS:

Mulla	: Indian Contract Act
Desai	: Indian Contract Act
Avtar Singh	: Law of Contract
Ponnusawmy	: Cases and materials on Contract
Anson	: English Law of Contract
R.K.Bangia	: Law of Contract and Specific Relief Act
Jain M.P.	: Indian Constitutional Law

LAW OF TORTS

1. Nature and Definition of Tort various definitions of tort, nature of tort, essentials of tort, mental elements in tortious liability. UNITS: 05
2. General Defences UNITS: 06
3. Capacity Minor, Corporation, Convict, Husband and Wife, Sovereigns, Joint tortfeasors and independent tortfeasors. UNITS: 03
4. Vicarious Liability Master-Servant; Principal – Agent; Vicarious Liability of the State-position in India UNITS: 06
5. Remoteness of Damage test of directness, test of reasonable foresight UNITS: 03
6. Trespass to the person Assault, Battery and False Imprisonment and Remedies UNITS: 03
7. Trespass to Land meaning, trespass ab initio and remedies UNITS: 03
8. Trespass to goods meaning, conversion of goods – meaning, kinds of conversion; detinue UNITS: 03
9. Negligence Essentials of negligence; Contributory Negligence UNITS: 05
10. Nervous Shock UNITS: 01
11. Rule of Strict Liability rule and exceptions; The Rule of absolute liability UNITS: 03
12. Liability for dangerous animals Scianter rule, cattle trespass and ordinary liability UNITS: 02
13. Liability for dangerous chattels liability towards immediate transferee, towards ultimate transferee. UNITS: 02
14. Liability for dangerous premises obligation towards lawful visitors, trespassers and children UNITS: 03
15. Nuisance Kinds of nuisance, Essentials, Defences UNITS: 05
16. Defamation kinds, essentials, defences UNITS: 04
17. Abuse of legal procedure UNITS: 02
18. Interference with contract, business – inducing breach of contract, intimidation, conspiracy, malicious falsehood, passing off UNITS: 03
19. Deceit UNITS: 02
20. Discharge of tortious liability UNITS: 04
21. Death in relation to tort effect of death on a subsisting cause of action, causing of death as being actionable as a tort. UNITS: 02
22. Remedies damages, injunctions, specific restitution; extra judicial remedies. UNITS: 05
23. Consumer Protection Act: consumer, Consumerism, Unfair Trade Practices, Restrictive Trade Practices and Redressal Forums. UNITS: 05

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Suggested Readings:

Ratanlal and Dhirajlal	Law of Torts
Salmond	Law of Torts
Winfield	Law of Torts

MAJOR PAPER – II - POLITICAL SCIENCE

Indian Government and Politics

This paper focuses in detail on the political processes and the actual functioning of the political system. It simultaneously studies in detail the political structure- both Constitutional and Administrative. It emphasizes on local influences that derive from social stratification of castes and jatis, from language, religions, ethnic and economic determinants and critically assesses its impact on the political processes. The major contradictions of the Indian political process are to be critically analyzed along with an assessment of its relative success and failures in a comparative perspective with other developing countries and in particular those belonging to the South Asian region.

Course Content:

1. The Making of India's Constitution and its sources	UNITS: 07
2. Basic Features of India's Constitution	UNITS: 04
3. Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, and the Directive Principles of State Policy	UNITS: 12
4. Union Government: President, Parliament, Cabinet and Prime Minister	UNITS: 12
5. The State Government: Governor, Council of Ministers and the Chief Minister	UNITS: 12
6. Centre-State Relations	UNITS: 08
7. Supreme Court and the Constitutional Process	UNITS: 05
8. Political Parties: National and Regional Parties	UNITS: 05
9. The Election Commission and Electoral Reforms	UNITS: 05
10. Major issues in Indian Politics	UNITS: 05
(a) Caste	
(b) Religion	
(c) Languages	
(d) Region	
(e) Poverty-Alleviation	

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Suggested Readings:

1. S. P. Aiyar and U. Mehta (eds.), Essays on Indian Federalism, Bombay, Allied Publishers, Bombay, 1965.
2. G. Austin, The Indian Constitution: Corner Stone of a Nation, Oxford, Oxford University

Press, 1966.

3. Working a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 2000.
4. D. D. Basu, An Introduction to the Constitution of India, New Delhi, Prentice Hall, 1994.
5. U. Baxi, The Indian Supreme Court and Politics, Delhi, Eastern Book Company, 1980.
6. C. Bettleheim, Independent India, London, MacGibbon, 1968.
7. C. P. Bhambhri, The Indian State: fifty years, New Delhi, Shipra, 1997.
8. S. Bose and A. Jalal, Modern South Asia: History, Culture, Political Economy, London, Routledge, 1997.
9. P. Brass, Politics of India Since Independence, Hyderabad, Orient Longman, 1990.
10. Caste, Faction and Party in Indian Politics, Vols.2, Delhi, Chanakya Publications, 1984-1985.
11. Language, Religion and Politics in North India, London, Cambridge University Press, 1974.
12. J. Brown, Modern India: the Origins of an Asian Democracy, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 1985
13. M. Chadda, Ethnicity, Security and Separatism in India, Delhi, Oxford University Press, 1997.
14. Chanda, Federalism in India: A Study of Union-State Relations, London, George Allen & Unwin, 1965.
15. B. L. Fadia, State Politics in India, 2 vols. New Delhi, Radiant Publishers, 1984.

MINOR PAPER –ECONOMICS II:

INDIAN ECONOMY

1.Indian economy on the eve of independence

UNITS: 04

Features, Economic Consequences of the British rule, Colonial Exploitation- forms and consequences. Case for protection of Indian industries of Drains- its pros and Cons.

2.Structure of the Indian Economy

UNITS: 10

Basic features; Natural resources - Land, water and forest resources; Broad demographic features - Population size and growth rates, sex composition, rural-urban migration, occupational distribution; Problem of over-population; Population policy; Infrastructure development; National Income.

3.Development indicators of Indian economy

UNITS: 05

Meaning of development (in brief), indicators of development- income indices: GDP, GNP, NNP, NOP, PC!.non income indices, human development in ex- meaning, measurement, international, national, state level, quality of index (PQLI)

4.Planning in India

UNITS: 08

Objectives; Strategy; Broad achievements and failures; Current Five Year Plan - Objectives, allocation and targets; New economic reforms - Liberalization, privatization and globalization; Rationale behind economic reforms; Progress of privatization and globalization, planning commission.

5.Agriculture

UNITS: 10

Nature and importance; Trends in agricultural production and productivity; Factors determining productivity; Land Reforms; New agricultural strategy and green revolution; Rural credit, Agricultural marketing.

6.Industry

UNITS: 10

Industrial development during the planning period; Industrial policy of 1948, 1956, 1977 and 1991; Industrial licensing policy - MRTP Act, FERA and FEMA; Growth and problems of small scale industries; Role of public sector enterprises in India's industrialization.

7.External Sector

UNITS: 08

Role of foreign trade in India's economic development; features of Indian foreign trade, Trends in exports and imports; Composition and direction of India's foreign trade; Balance of payments crisis and the New economic reforms - Export promotion measures and the new trade policies. Foreign capital - FDI, aid; Multinational corporations (MNCs).

8. Infrastructure

UNITS: 05

Role of infrastructure in economic development; Types: Transport, communication, energy, warehousing, education, healthcare.

9. Banking

UNITS: 10

Growth and structural changes in Indian Banking prior to 1991: nationalization of banks, branch expansion, deposit mobilization, development oriented banking, propriety sector lending.

Banking sector reforms since 1991: Recommendations of Narshimham committee and 1992-2006 reforms.

10. Poverty, Inequality and Unemployment

UNITS: 05

Meaning, Causes and interrelationship between Poverty, Inequality and Unemployment, regional characters: income distribution (state wise per capita, net domestic product, disparities) poverty (Population below poverty line in different states).

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BASIC READING LIST

- Datt, R. and K.P.M. Sundharam (2001), Indian Economy, S. Chand & Company Ltd., New Delhi.
- Dhingra, I. C. (2001), The Indian Economy : Environment and Policy, Sultan Chand & Sons, New Delhi.
- Dutt, R.C. (1950), The Economic History of India Under Early British Rule, Low Price Publications. Delhi.
- Kumar, D. (Ed.) (1982), The Cambridge Economic History of India, Volume II, 1757- 1970, Orient Longman Ltd., Hyderabad.
- Misra, S.K. and V.K. Puri (2001), Indian Economy Its Development Experience, Himalaya Publishing House, Mumbai. •

ADDITIONAL READING LIST

- Gadgil, D.R. (1971), *The Industrial Evolution in India in Recent Times, 1860- 1939*, Oxford University Press, Bombay.
- Government of India, *Economic Survey (Annual)*, Economic Division, Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
- Naoroji, D. (1962), *Poverty and Un-British Rule in India*, Low Price Publications, Delhi.
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- Ahluwalia, I.I. and I.M.D. Little (Eds.) (1999), *India's Economic Reforms and Development (Essays in honour of Manmohan Singh)*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi.
- Jalan, B. (1992), *The Indian Economy : Problems and Prospects*, Viking, New Delhi.
- Jalan, B. (1996), *India's Economic Policy - Preparing for the Twenty-first Century*, Viking, New Delhi.
- Parikh, K.S. (1999), *India Development Report - 1999-2000*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi.
- Dart, R. (Ed.) (2001), *Second Generation Economic Reforms in India*, Deep & Deep Publications, New Delhi.