

**SUBJECT : ENVIRONMENTAL LAW INCLUDING
ANIMAL WELFARE LAWS
SUBJECT CODE : HSI**

Objective:

The objective of the course is to make environmental law familiar to the students by understanding all dimensions of the subject. The contribution of Constitution and Constitutional Courts by recognizing the right to wholesome environment as a fundamental human right with the aid of Public Interest Litigation and principles environmental law are also explored. It is necessary to explore the laws enacted by the Union and State Governments by incorporating the international commitment under the various conventions and declarations. The Policies and Strategies of the Governments also focused.

UNIT - I : Introduction

Introduction to Ecosystem - Environment and Environmental Law – Factors responsible for environmental Pollution – Socio and Economic Impacts of Environmental Pollution – History of environmental protection in India – Constitutional Obligation on Environmental Protection – Civil Society and Environmental Management

UNIT - II: International Environmental Law

Fundamental Principles of Environmental Law - Role of United Nations – Multilateral Environmental Agreements - Stockholm Declaration on Human Environment, 1972 – United Nations Environment Programme – Nairobi Declaration, 1982 - Brundtland Report, 1987 - Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, 1992 – Agenda 21 – United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development – Climate Change Convention and Protocol – Convention On Biological Diversity - Johannesburg Summit on Sustainable Development 2002 – Rio +20

UNIT - III : Pollution Control Laws

Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 – Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 – Environment (Protection) Act, 1981 – Power of Central Government to make environmental Rules – Rules relating to Management of Hazardous, Plastic Waste, Bio-Medical Waste, E-Waste, Municipal Solid Wastes and Batteries – Noise Pollution Rules, 2000 – Environmental Impact Assessment – Coastal Regulation Zone Notification – Disaster Management Act, 2005

UNIT - IV: Resource Conservation and Animal Welfare Laws

Indian Forest Act, 1927 – Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 – Forest Conservation Act, 1980 – Biological Diversity Act, 2002 - Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 - Chennai Metropolitan Area Groundwater (Regulation) Act, 1987 – Rain Water Harvesting – Tamil Nadu Protection of Tanks and Eviction of Encroachment Act, 2007 - Role of Local Bodies

UNIT - V: Remedies for Environmental Pollution

Common Law Remedies/Remedies under Law of Tort – Penal Remedies – Indian Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure – Remedies under Constitutional Law – Writs – Public Interest Litigation - Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 – The National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

Statutory Materials:

Bare Act/s

International Conventions

Books Prescribed:

P. Leelakrishnan, Environmental Law in India, Butterworths

P. Leelakrishnan, Environmental Case Book, Lexis Nexis

S. Shanthakumar, Environmental Law – An Introduction, Butterworths

Shyam Diwan and Armin Rosencranz, Environmental Law and Policy in India, Oxford

N. Maheswaraswamy, Law relating to Environmental Pollution and Protection
Jaiswal, Environmental Law

Books for Reference:

Alan Boyle and Patricia Bernie, International Law and Environment, Oxford

Philippe Sands, Principles of International Environmental Law, Cambridge

Elli Louka, International Environmental Law, Cambridge

Centre for Science and Environment, The State of India's Environment – A Citizen's Report, Delhi.

Choudhry R.N. Law of Forests in India, Orient Publishing Company, New Delhi Encyclopedia of Environmental Pollution and its control Maneka Gandhi et. al., Animal Laws of India, ULPC, Delhi.

Saksena K.D. Environmental Planning, Policies and Programmes in India, Shipra, Delhi.
