

SUBJECT: JURISPRUDENCE
SUBJECT CODE : HBDB

Unit – I: **Nature, definition and schools of jurisprudence** - Nature and definition of jurisprudence – Analytical positivism, Natural law school, Historical school, Sociological school – Economic interpretation of law, Indian jurisprudence – Concept of dharma, PIL, social justice and compensatory jurisprudence.

Unit – II: **Nature and purpose of law** – Nature and definition of law, constitutional law and international law and their nature. Justice, critical studies, feminist jurisprudence and Art 142 of Constitution – The administration of justice.

Unit – III: **Sources of Law** – Legislation – Nature of legislation – Supreme and subordinate legislation – Relation of legislation to other sources, codification and the interpretation of enacted law. Precedent – The authority of precedents – Circumstances destroying or weakening the binding force of precedent, the hierarchy of authority – Ratio decidendi and judicial reasoning. Custom: Kinds of custom, conventional custom, local custom, custom and prescription – The general custom

Unit – IV: **Legal concepts I** – Legal rights and duties – Right – Duty correlation – Persons – Nature of personality – Status of unborn, minor, lunatic, drunken and dead persons – Corporate personality possession and ownership.

Unit – V: **Legal concepts II** – Title, property, liability, obligation and the law of procedure.

Books prescribed :

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| 1. Salmond | - | Jurisprudence |
| 2. Paton | - | Jurisprudence |
| 3. H.L.A. Hart | - | Concept of law |
| 4. Dias | - | Jurisprudence |
| 5. Bodenheimer | - | Jurisprudence |
