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Institute of Law
B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) and B.Com, LL.B. (Hons.)
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Course Code	2IE1003
Course Title	Gender Justice and Feminist Jurisprudence

Course Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course students will be able to:

1. Identify and explain different legal Gender issues from different perspectives in India,
2. Analyse the need base problems and key gender issues.
3. Interpret and assess the issues related to gender from legal framework, and to use those in intervention and addressing the problems of gender inequalities in India.

Teaching hours: 60 hours

Syllabus:

Unit I. Gender

7 Hours

- 1.1 Gender: Meaning and theories.
- 1.2 Notions of Sex and Gender
- 1.3 Deconstructing Man, Woman and Other
- 1.4 Status of women in India: pre and post-independence.
- 1.5 Indicators of Status

Unit II Gender Justice

8 Hours

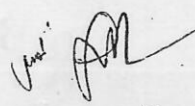
- 2.1 Gender Justice in India: An overview
- 2.2 Differences in - likelihood of survival; female foeticide, human worth
- 2.3 Political Processes
- 2.4 Symbolic Representations
- 2.5 Issues related to Third Gender, Section 377 and beyond

Unit III : International Commitments towards justice to women

9 Hours

- 3.1 International Conferences on Women
- 3.2 Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948
- 3.3 The Convention on the Political Rights of Women, 1954

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- 3.4 The Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, 1967
- 3.5 Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women, 1979
- 3.6 The ILO convention to protect women.

Unit IV: Constitutional Provisions for women

10 hours

- 4.1 Preamble of the Constitution
- 4.2 Exploitation of Sex not mentioned in Article 23
- 4.3 Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties and Directive Principles of State Policies.
- 4.4 Uniform Civil Code: Issues and Challenges regarding gender justice
- 4.5 Women workers organized and unorganized sector
- 4.6 Reservation of women in Government (33% Reservation Policy)

Unit V: Legal Framework for Protection of Women

16 hours

- 5.1 Sexual offences: Meaning, classification and magnitude.
- 5.2 Legal framework to combat trafficking {The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act 1956}
- 5.3 Domestic violence
- 5.4 Dowry & Dowry Death
- 5.5 Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971
- 5.6 The Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act, 1994
- 5.7 The Maternity benefit Act, 1961
- 5.8 Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986

Unit VI Economic Empowerment and Law:

10 Hours

- 6.1 Labour Laws:
- 6.2 Gender protective laws
- 6.3 Gender neutral laws
- 6.4 Gender corrective laws
- 6.5 Law Protecting Women against Sexual Harassment at Work
- 6.7 Property Rights of Women

Suggested Readings:

1. Batra M. (2012). *Women & Law With Law Relating To Children In India*. Faridabad, Haryana: Allahabad Law Agency.
2. Das P. K. (2016). *Universal's Handbook on Protection of Women from Domestic Violence - Acts & Rules*. Gurgaon, Haryana: Universal Law Publishing - An Imprint of LexisNexis
3. Asmat R. & Mehboob S. (2016). *Sexual Harassment Of Women At Workplace*. Faridabad, Haryana: Allahabad Law Agency.
4. Nath M. D. (2013). *Position of women in Hindu Law*. Gale, Making of Modern Law.
5. Shaikat N. (1992). *Muslim Women and their Rights*. New Delhi: Ashoka Law House.

6. Singh I. P. (1989). *Women, Law and Social Change in India*. New Delhi: Radiant Publications.
7. Siyaramayya B. (1998). *Matrimonial property Law in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

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