



## SGT UNIVERSITY, GURGAON FACULTY OF LAW

PROGRAMME	SEMESTER	COURSE NAME	COURSE CODE
LL.B. (Hons)	V	Environmental Law	08040501

### Environmental Law

#### Course Objective:

The inextinguishable impact of environment on the lives of people is overwhelming. The current scenario is particularly compounded by the issues as extensive air and water pollutions, climate change, loss of biodiversity and the like that has contributed to immense problems of environment and health care. The basic objective of the course is to familiarize the concept and scope of environmental law and also of its particular dominant issues so as to become a value addition in learning. An introduction to the concepts and principles which underpin environmental law from the international to the local level will be provided. The course will address Constitutional responsibilities and roles relating to the environment; sustainable development and international developments; environmental protection principles, climate change, water resources. The course will also cover domestic legal efforts aiming towards environment protection.

#### Module – I

- 1.1. Environmental Protection: Issues and Problems
- 1.2. Key International Efforts for Environmental Protection with special reference to the following:
  - (a) Stockholm and Rio Declaration
  - (b) Agenda 21
  - (c) Sustainable Development: Salient Features
  - (d) Convention on Biological Diversity, 1992
  - (e) UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, 1992
  - (f) Kyoto Protocol, 1997
  - (g) Post – Kyoto Developments.

#### Module - II

- 2.1. Indian Constitution and Environmental Protection
- 2.2. Judicial Response towards Environmental Protection
- 2.3. Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986
- 2.4. Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling & Trans boundary) Rules, 2008
- 2.5 Disposal of Nuclear waste

#### Module – III

- 3.1. Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 (Relevant Provisions)
- 3.2. Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (Relevant Provisions)
- 3.3. Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000
- 3.4. Corporate Responsibility in Environmental Matters.

#### **Module - IV**

- 4.1. Forest Conservation Act, 1986
- 4.2. Biological Diversity Act, 2002
- 4.3. Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972

**Course Outcome:** On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Identify key environmental issues at the planetary, international, national, state and local level;
2. Describe State and Federal powers, responsibilities and institutions in the field of Environmental Law
3. Analyze the relationships between environmental laws across multiple sectors and jurisdictions (local, state, national and international) and the interactions with regulatory and policy frameworks beyond the environmental sector;
4. Understand the legal structure of the Environmental laws in India
5. Develop and execute original environmental law research on a focused topic area.

#### **Suggested Readings:**

1. S. Diwan and A. Rosencranj, Environmental Law and Policy in India, Oxford Pub.
2. P. Leelakrishan, Environmental Law in India, ButterworthsKladhira (2008)
3. P.S. Jaswal, Environmental Law (Pioneer Publications)
4. S. Lal Commentaries on Water, Air and Environmental Pollution
5. D.S. Senegar, Environmental Law, Transnational Pub.