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Introduction

- Gender inequality and injustice.
- Status of women in India: pre and post independence.
- Social evils against women in India.

UNIT-II

Constitutional Rights:

- Equality of women – Art 14 -15
- Equality in public employment – Art 16
- Right life and Liberty – Art 21
- Constitutional Directives to the States – Art 39 and 39 A, Uniform Civil Code towards Gender Justice.
- Fundamental duties towards the dignity of women
- Women’s reservation in Representative Bodies

UNIT-III

Position of Women under Criminal Laws

- Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 – Sec. 63-71, 81-84, 85, 86, 87, 88, Forced Labour
- The Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act, 1994 – Miscarriage and Abortion, Unborn Children, Exposure of Infants, Concealments of Birth
- Immortal Trafficking Act, 1965 --- Preventions
- Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 – Sec 144 to 147
- Bhartiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023 – Sec 116, 117, 118, 120
- Indecent, Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986 --- Sec 1 to 6

UNIT-IV

Social Welfare Legislation

- Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 – Sec 1 to 8
- Equal Remuneration Act, 1976 --- Sec 4 and 5
- Maternity Benefit Act, 1961 --- Sec 4 to 12
- Factories Act, 1948 – Provisions related to Health, basic amenities and Child Care

UNIT- V

Protection of Women under National Legal framework -

- National Commission for Women Act, 1990
- Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act 2005 – Sec 3. Definition, Sec 4 to 10 Powers Duties of Protection officers, Sec 18 to 22 – Relief

UNIT-VI Rights of Women under International law (Human Rights)

- U.N. Charter, 1945
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), 1948
- The Convention on the Political Rights of Women, 1954
- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), 1979 – Guidelines given by Supreme Court on Sexual Harassment in Vishaka v/s State of Rajasthan
- Other important Declarations and Conferences with respect to Women- Vienna and Beijing Conference

SUGGESTED READINGS:

- Vishakha Case, Shah Bano
- Bhawri Case
- Ramshree Case
- Chandrima Das Case
- Shah Bano Case
- Manjula Batra : Feminist politics beyond the law.
- Women and Law : Allahabad Law Agency.
- Paras Dewan : Dowry and Protection to Married Women.
- Dr. Preeti Mishra : Domestic Violence Act, 2005
- Indira Jaising : Hand book on law of Domestic Violence.
- Krishna Pal Malik : Women & Law – Allahabad Law Agency
- Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023
- Bhartiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023
- Bhartiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023