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**SYLLABUS**

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PAPER – I (PAPER CODE - **41901**) : (PAPER NAME – **LAW AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION IN INDIA**)

**Max. Marks: 100 (80 External + 20 Internal)**

**Min. Marks: 40**

**Unit – I:**

**(A) Law and Social Change :**

- i) Relations between Law and Public Opinion
- ii) Law as an instrument of social change
- iii) Law as the product of Traditions and Culture, Criticism and evaluation in the light of colonization and the introduction of common law system and institutions in India and its impact on further development of law and legal institutions in India, Sociological school and its applicability in India, Principles of Social Legislation.

**(B) Religion and the Law :**

- i) Religion – its meaning and relationship with law
- ii) Evaluation of Religion as a divisive factor
- iii) Secularism as a solution to the problem
- iv) Reform of the law on secular lines : Problems
- v) Freedom of religion and non-discrimination on the basis of religion
- vi) religious minorities and the law

**Unit-II :**

**(A) Language and the Law :**

- i) Multi-linguistic culture and its impact on policy on nation
- ii) Language as a divisive factor : formation of linguistic states
- iii) Constitutional guarantee to linguistic minorities
- iv) Language policy and the Constitution ; Official language; multi language system
- v) Non-discrimination on the ground of language

**(B) Community and the Law :**

- i) Caste as a socio-cultural reality and role of caste as a divisive and integrative factor
- ii) Non-discrimination on the ground of caste
- iii) Acceptance of Caste as a factor to undo past injustices
- iv) Protective discrimination; Scheduled Castes, tribes and backward classes
- v) Reservation : Statutory Commissions, statutory provisions

**Unit – III:**

**(A) Regionalism and the Law :**

- i) Evaluation of Regionalism as a divisive and integrative factor
- ii) Concept of India as one unit
- iii) Right of Movement, Residence and Business; Impermissibility of State or Regional Barriers
- iv) Equality in matters of employment; the slogan “Sons of the soil” and its practice
- v) Admission to Educational Institutions; Preference to Residents of a State.

**(B) Women and the Law :**

- i) Position and the Role of women in Indian society
- ii) Crimes against women – Codified laws
- iii) Gender injustice and its various forms, causes and remedies
- iv) Women’s Commission
- v) Empowerment of women; Constitutional and other legal provisions

## **Unit – IV:**

### **(A) Children and the Law :**

- i) Child Labour
- ii) Sexual Exploitation
- iii) Adoption, Maintenance and Related Problems
- iv) Children and Education – a Constitutional mandate

### **(B) Modernisation and the Law :**

- i) Modernisation as a value : Constitutional perspectives reflected in the fundamental duties
- ii) Modernisation of social institutions through law
- iii) Reform of family law
- iv) Agrarian reform – Industrialisation of Agriculture
- v) Criminal Law : Plea bargaining; compounding and payment of compensation of victims
- vi) Civil Law (ADR) Confrontation v., consensus; mediation and conciliation: Lok Adalats
- vii) Democratic decentralisation and Local Self-government

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