

COURSE TITLE	ENVIRONMENT LAW
COURSE CODE	10FL2402
COURSE CREDITS	4

Objective:

- 1 To sensitize the students to Environmental issues and the laws.
- 2 To acquaint the students with the important principles in the field of environment law.
- 3 To familiarize students with the laws related to Air and Water Pollution.
- 4 To make students conversant with laws related to Wildlife Protection.
- 5 To accustom the students with international development in environmental law.

Course Outcomes: After completion of this course, student will be able to:

- 1 To exhibit understanding on Environment, Nature and Ecosystem concepts.
- 2 To demonstrate understanding of International Environmental Conventions.
- 3 To apply various interpretations on prevention and Control of Water and Air Pollution.
- 4 To distinguish various principles & case laws relating to protection of forests and wildlife.
- 5 To evaluate legal and policy framework for environmental protection.
- 6 To analyze the impacts of judicial trends & public interest initiatives like PIL.

Pre-requisite of course:Constitutional Law

Teaching and Examination Scheme

Theory Hours	Tutorial Hours	Practical Hours	ESE	IA	CSE	Viva	Term Work
3	1	0	50	30	20	0	0

Contents : Unit	Topics	Contact Hours
1	Introduction to Environment and Law Environment, Nature and Ecosystem, Origin of Environmental Law, Environmental Protection in Ancient Indian Tradition and Culture, Protection of Environment under the Indian Constitution	8
2	International Environmental Conventions Stockholm Declaration on Human Environment, 1972, The role of UNEP for the protection of environment, Biodiversity Convention (Earth Summit), 1992, Rio Declaration, 1992, Kyoto Protocol 1997, Johannesburg Convention 2002, UNFCCC (United Nations Framework convention on climate change), 1994, Introduction to COP (Conference of the Parties), COP 27 and COP 28 under UNFCCC	8

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3	Prevention and Control of Water and Air Pollution Water Pollution - Definition, Central and State Pollution Control Boards – Constitution, Powers and Functions, Sample of effluents – Procedure; Restraint order vi. Citizen Suit Provision, Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981: Air Pollution – Definition, Central and State Pollution Control Boards – Constitution, Powers and functions, Air Pollution Control Areas, Consent Requirement – Procedure, Grant/Refusal, Withdrawal, Sample of effluents – Procedure; Restraint order, The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Amendment Bill, 2024	8
4	Protection of Forests and WildLife Indian Forest Act, 1927: Kinds of forest – Private, Reserved, Protected and Village Forests, The Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Forest Dwellers Act, 2006, The Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 : Authorities to be appointed and constituted under the Act, Hunting of Wild Animals, Protection of Specified Plants, Protected Area, Trade or Commerce in wild animals, animal articles and trophies; Its prohibition, Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996, National Afforestation Programme, 2000, Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022, The Forest (Conservation) Amendment Bill, 2023, Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 (CAF Act)	7
5	General Legislation for Environmental Protection Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008, Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000, Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991, The National Green Tribunal Act, 2010	7
6	Current Status of Environment in India and World Introduction, Air Quality in India, Air Pollution management Policies in India, Water related Issue, Status of water distribution in India, Rainfall, Groundwater, Groundwater contamination, River Pollution in India, Policies for controlling River and water Pollution, Climate Change: Mitigation and Adaptation, Causes of Climate Change, Global Warming: Challenges Ahead, Global rise in temperature: Causes and Consequences	7
Total Hours		45

Suggested List of Experiments:

Contents : Unit	Topics	Contact Hours
1	Issues related to Environment Law Issues related to Environment Law	15
Total Hours		15

Textbook :

- 1 Environmental Law, S. C. Tripathi, Central Law Publications, 2023

References:

- 1 Environmental Law in India, Environmental Law in India, Singh, Gurdip, Eastern Book Company, 2023

Suggested Theory Distribution:

The suggested theory distribution as per Bloom’s taxonomy is as follows. This distribution serves as guidelines for teachers and students to achieve effective teaching-learning process

Distribution of Theory for course delivery					
Remember / Knowledge	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Higher order Thinking / Creative
10.00	10.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	20.00

Supplementary Resources:

- 1 <https://www.un.org/en/conferences/environment/rio1992>
- 2 <https://www.cbd.int/doc/ref/rio-declaration.shtml>
- 3 <https://www.downtoearth.org.in/>
- 4 <https://www.reuters.com/business/environment/>
- 5 <https://sccenvironmental.com/>
- 6 Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) <https://moef.gov.in> Official policies, notifications, EIA guidelines Key source for Indian environmental regulation
- 7 Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) <https://cpcb.nic.in> Data on air & water pollution, standards, compliance Reports and environmental monitoring tools
- 8 National Green Tribunal (NGT) <https://greentribunal.gov.in> Judgments and orders on environmental disputes Important for case law and practical understanding
- 9 United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) <https://www.unep.org> Global environmental governance Climate change, biodiversity, sustainability frameworks