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Revised Syllabus
Foundation Course for F. Y. B.Com
Semester I

Lectures 45
Marks 100

Unit 1

Overview of Indian Society:

Understand the multi-cultural diversity of Indian society through its demographic composition: population distribution according to religion, caste, and gender;

Appreciate the concept of linguistic diversity in relation to the Indian situation;

Understand regional variations according to rural, urban and tribal characteristics; Understanding the concept of diversity as difference. (5 lectures)

Unit 2

Concept of Disparity- 1:

Understand the concept of disparity as arising out of stratification and inequality;

Explore the disparities arising out of gender with special reference to violence against women, female foeticide (declining sex ratio), and portrayal of women in media;

Appreciate the inequalities faced by people with disabilities and understand the issues of people with physical and mental disabilities. (10 lectures)

Unit 3

Concept of Disparity-2:

Examine inequalities manifested due to the caste system and inter-group conflicts arising thereof;

Understand inter-group conflicts arising out of communalism;

Examine the causes and effects of conflicts arising out of regionalism and linguistic differences. (10 lectures)

Unit 4

The Indian Constitution:

Philosophy of the Constitution as set out in the Preamble;

The structure of the Constitution-the Preamble, Main Body and Schedules;

Fundamental Duties of the Indian Citizen; tolerance, peace and communal harmony as crucial values in strengthening the social fabric of Indian society;

Basic features of the Constitution. (10 lectures)

Unit 5

Significant Aspects of Political Processes:

The party system in Indian politics;

Local self-government in urban and rural areas; the 73rd and 74th Amendments and their implications for inclusive politics;

Role and significance of women in politics. (10 lectures)

Unit 6

Growing Social Problems in India:

- a) Substance abuse- impact on youth & challenges for the future
- b) HIV/AIDS- awareness, prevention, treatment and services
- c) Problems of the elderly- causes, implications and response
- d) Issue of child labour- magnitude, causes, effects and response
- e) Child abuse- effects and ways to prevent
- f) Trafficking of women- causes, effects and response

(15 lectures)

Note:

15 lectures will be allotted for project guidance

Unit Number 6 will not be assessed for the Semester End Exam

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Semester II

Lectures 45

Marks 100

Unit 1

Globalisation and Indian Society:

Understanding the concepts of liberalization, privatization and globalization;

Growth of information technology and communication and its impact manifested in everyday life;

Impact of globalization on industry: changes in employment and increasing migration;

Changes in agrarian sector due to globalization; rise in corporate farming and increase in farmers' suicides.

(7 lectures)

Unit 2

Human Rights

Concept of Human Rights; origin and evolution of the concept;

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Human Rights constituents with special reference to Fundamental Rights stated in the Constitution;

(10 lectures)

Unit 3

Ecology

Importance of Environment Studies in the current developmental context;
Understanding concepts of Environment, Ecology and their interconnectedness;
Environment as natural capital and connection to quality of human life;
Environmental Degradation- causes and impact on human life;
Sustainable development- concept and components; poverty and environment

(10 lectures)

Unit 4

Understanding Stress and Conflict:

Causes of stress and conflict in individuals and society;
Agents of socialization and the role played by them in developing the individual;
Significance of values, ethics and prejudices in developing the individual;
Stereotyping and prejudice as significant factors in causing conflicts in society.
Aggression and violence as the public expression of conflict;

(10 lectures)

Unit 5

Managing Stress and Conflict in Contemporary Society:

Types of conflicts and use of coping mechanisms for managing individual stress;
Maslow's theory of self-actualisation;
Different methods of responding to conflicts in society;
Conflict-resolution and efforts towards building peace and harmony in society.

(8 lectures)

Unit 6

Contemporary Societal Challenges:

- a) Increasing urbanization, problems of housing, health and sanitation;
- b) Changing lifestyles and impact on culture in a globalised world.
- c) Farmers' suicides and agrarian distress.
- d) Debate regarding Genetically Modified Crops.
- e) Development projects and Human Rights violations.
- f) Increasing crime/suicides among youth.

(15 lectures)

Note:

15 lectures will be allotted for project guidance

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Question Paper Pattern for FC
Semester I and II Courses
At the F Y B. Com Examinations

The student will be assessed on the basis of Internal Assessment of 40 marks and a Semester End Exam of 60 marks. The student will have to secure a minimum of 40% marks in aggregate and a minimum of 40% in each component of assessment i.e. 16 out of 40 in Internal Assessment and 24 out of 60 in Semester End Exam.

Internal Assessment:

- There will be **two** mid-semester tests of 10 marks each; the first test will be on Units 1 and 2; the second test will be on Units 3 and 4.
- The tests will, as far as possible, comprise of objective questions, short notes or case studies.
- The student will have to submit an assignment/project before appearing for the Semester End Exam for 10 marks. This assignment/project will be entirely based on Unit 6 and can take the form of street-plays, posters, power-point presentations, etc.
- 10 marks will be allotted to overall participation, etc. as per the norms of the credit system
- Unit 6 will not be included in the Semester End Exam.

Semester End Exam:

- There will be a Semester End Exam for 60 marks of 2 hours duration.
- Question No. 1, 2 and 3 will be Full-length questions for 15 marks each; there will be an internal choice in each of these questions requiring the students to answer one of two questions asked.
- Full-length questions will be from Units 2, 3, 4 and 5 only.
- Question No. 4 will be of the Short Note type where each Short Note will be for 3 marks each. Students will be required to answer 5 out of 8 Short Notes.
- Short note questions will be from Units 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.
- Unit 1 will not feature in the Full-length questions but will be asked only in the form of Short Note questions.

NOTE: All other rules regarding Standard of Passing, ATKT, etc., will be as per those decided by the Faculty of Commerce and passed by the Academic Council from time to time.