



Course Syllabus
Gyanmanjari Institute of LAW
Semester-3 (LL.B)

Subject: Constitutional Law Paper-II LAWLL13513

Type of course: Major (Core)

Prerequisite:

Students enrolling in Constitutional Law Paper–II (Article 152 to Article 368 of the Constitution of India) should have a foundational understanding of the basic principles and framework of the Indian Constitution covered in Constitutional Law Paper–I. They should be familiar with the structure and functioning of State Governments, judiciary, Centre–State relations, emergency provisions, and constitutional amendment procedures. Basic knowledge of constitutional doctrines, judicial review, and landmark constitutional judgments is also essential. This prerequisite knowledge will assist students in critically analyzing constitutional institutions and governance mechanisms in India.

Rationale:

The study of Constitutional Law Paper–II (Articles 152 to 368 of the Constitution of India) enables students to understand the detailed functioning of constitutional institutions, Centre–State relations, emergency provisions, the judiciary, and the constitutional amendment process. The course develops analytical and interpretative skills necessary for examining constitutional governance and the practical application of constitutional principles in India. It also helps students appreciate the role of constitutional mechanisms in maintaining democratic values, federal balance, and the rule of law. Understanding the Amendment process, Emergency provisions, and Miscellaneous provisions provides insights into the flexibility and resilience of India's constitutional framework. The paper prepares students to critically evaluate constitutional developments, judicial decisions, and contemporary constitutional issues and is essential for anyone seeking to engage with constitutional law, public administration, or political science in India.



Teaching and Examination Scheme:

Teaching Scheme			Credits	Examination Marks			Total Marks
CI	T	P	C	Theory Marks		CA	
				ESE	MSE	ALA	
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Legends: CI- Classroom Instructions; T- Tutorial; P- Practical; C- Credit; SEE- Semester End Evaluation; MSE- Mid Semester Examination; CA- Continuous Assessment; ALA- Active Learning Activities.

Course Content:

Sr. No.	Course Content	Hrs.	% Weightage
1	Executive, Legislature and Judiciary of the State: - State Executive: Governor, Chief Minister, Powers, Council of Ministers. - State Legislature: Composition of House, Qualifications and disqualifications of MLAs, Legislative Procedure of State Legislature. - State Judiciary: Appointment, Transfer and removal procedure of High Court Judges and Chief Justice of High Court, Attorney General and Advocate General and Powers and Jurisdiction of High Courts: Writs, Article 226 and 227.	15	20
2	Local Bodies: - Meaning, Nature, Importance, and Constitutional Status of Local Bodies. - Role of Local Bodies in Democratic Decentralization, Rural Development, and Urban Governance. - Panchayati Raj Institutions: Gram Sabha, Gram Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti, and Zila Parishad, Articles 243 to 243-O and the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992. - Municipalities: Municipal Corporation and Nagar Panchayat, Articles 243-P to 243-ZG and the 74th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992. - The Co-Operative Societies.	15	20



	• Powers, Composition and Functions of Panchayats and Municipalities and 11th and 12th Schedule.		
3	Emergency Provisions: • Emergency, meaning, Kinds and scope. • National Emergency: Ground, Effects and conditions of Proclamation of Emergency. • Emergency due to Failure of Constitutional Machinery in States. • Financial Emergency. • Effect of emergency on Centre – State relations. • Emergency and suspension of fundamental rights. • Revocation of Emergency. • Landmark Judgements of Judiciary and Judicial Approach regarding Emergency.	15	20
4	Constitutional Processes of Adaptation and Alteration: • Methods of constitutional amendment. • Procedure to amend the Constitution under Article 368. • Limited powers of Legislature to amend the Provisions of the Constitution. • Judicial Pronouncements of the Supreme Court and relevant Constitutional Amendments. • Development of the basic Structure Doctrine and other relevant decisions of the Apex Court with reference to judicial activism and restraint.	15	20
5	Miscellaneous: • Right to Property (Article 300-A). • Services under the Constitution: Public Service Commission, Doctrine of Pleasure, Constitutional Safeguards to Civil Servants and exceptions. • Chief Election Commissioner and Election Commission. • Official Language. • Freedom of Trade: Commerce and Intercourse.	15	20



	• GST Council: Constitution, Function and Powers. • Relation between Union and State: Legislative, Administrative and Financial, Schedule VII and Its Importance. • Funds: Consolidated Funds, Contingency Funds, CAG. • Special provisions related to Tribal Areas and Scheduled areas.		
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Continuous Assessment:

Sr. No.	Active Learning Activities	Marks
1	Assignment Drafting Policy Students will divide themselves in a group of 3. They have to draft any one model constitutional amendment and one model public policy proposal relating to constitutional issues and present it in the classroom. Students have to upload on GMIU Web Portal.	10
2	Case review and analysis: Students have to prepare a case review in PDF file on topics provided by the faculty with relevant case laws and citations. Students have to upload on GMIU Web Portal.	10
Total		20

List of Suggested Tutorials:

Sr. No	Suggested Tutorials	Credits
1	Group Discussion on State Executive and Constitutional Governance- Governor, Chief Minister, Council of Ministers, Powers and Constitutional Position of the State Executive.	1
2	Comparative Study Assignment Prepare a report comparing any one constitutional feature of India with another country (e.g., Fundamental Rights, Federalism, or Judicial Review). Highlight at least three similarities and three differences with suitable references.	1
3	Real time Problem based Questions on High Courts and Constitutional Remedies- Appointment and Removal of High Court Judges, Jurisdiction of High Courts, Writs under Articles 226 and 227.	2
4	Presentation on Local Self-Government and Democratic Decentralization- Panchayati Raj Institutions, Municipalities, 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments.	2
5	Constitutional Quiz Preparation - Prepare multiple-choice questions with answers based on	1



	Constitutional Law topics covered in class. Exchange your quiz with another group for peer learning and discuss the correct answers during class.	
6	Movie review and discussion on Emergency Provisions under the Constitution- National Emergency, President's Rule, Financial Emergency, and Suspension of Fundamental Rights.	2
7	Debate on Constitutional Amendments and Basic Structure Doctrine- Article 368, Amendment Procedure, Basic Structure Doctrine, and Judicial Review.	2
8	Video Lectures on Constitutional Authorities and Civil Services- Public Service Commission, Doctrine of Pleasure, Election Commission, and Constitutional Safeguards to Civil Servants.	1
9	Group Presentation on Centre-State Relations and Financial Administration- Legislative, Administrative, and Financial Relations, GST Council, Consolidated Fund, Contingency Fund, and CAG.	1
10	Video lecture on Miscellaneous Constitutional Provisions and Contemporary Issues- Right to Property, Official Language, Freedom of Trade and Commerce, Scheduled and Tribal Areas, and Recent Constitutional Developments.	2

Suggested Specification table with Marks (Theory): 100

Distribution of Theory Marks (Revised Bloom's Taxonomy)						
Level	Remembrance (R)	Understanding (U)	Application (A)	Analyze (N)	Evaluate (E)	Create (C)
Weightage	30%	30%	-	20%	20%	-

Note: This specification table shall be treated as a general guideline for students and teachers. The actual distribution of marks in the question paper may vary slightly from above table.

Course Outcome:

After learning the course, the students should be able to:

CO1	Recall and describe the State Executive and Constitutional Governance, State Legislature and Legislative Procedure and High Courts and its Constitutional Remedies.
CO2	Compare Powers and Functions of Panchayats and Municipalities and discuss Local Self-Government and Democratic Decentralization in India.
CO3	Examine the kinds of Emergency, procedure for revocation and the role of Parliament in approving emergency proclamations.
CO4	Interpret methods and procedure regarding Amendments in the Constitution and Limited powers of the Legislature.
CO5	Discuss the constitutional safeguards and provisions aimed at promoting socio-economic development and protecting the interests of tribal and marginalized communities.



Instructional Method:

The course delivery method will depend upon the requirement of content and the needs of students. The teacher, in addition to conventional teaching methods by black board, may also use any tools such as demonstration, role play, Quiz, brainstorming, MOOCs etc.

From the content 10% topics are suggested for flipped mode instruction. Students will use supplementary resources such as online videos, NPTEL/SWAYAM videos, e-courses. The internal evaluation will be done on the basis of Active Learning Assignment.

Practical/Viva examination will be conducted at the end of semester for evaluation of performance of students.

Reference Books:

- [1] Shukla, V. N. (2022). *Constitution of India* (14th ed., M. P. Singh, Rev.). Eastern Book Company.
- [2] C. Jamnadas & Co. (2024). *Indian Constitution* (30th ed.). C. Jamnadas & Co.
- [3] Basu, D. D. (2023). *Introduction to the Constitution of India* (27th ed.). LexisNexis.
- [4] Pandey, J. N. (2025). *Constitutional law of India* (62nd ed.). Central Law Agency.

