

Women and Gender Law

Course Code: LLCWG005

Total Session: 45 hours

Objectives: This Course gives the student a general idea regarding gender and sex-based inequalities in a particular society, various constitutional provisions, legislations and international conventions pertaining to interest of women.

Unit I: Definition and meaning of Gender (5 Session)

Difference between sex and gender, Status of women- ancient period, medieval period and the Modern Period- Matriarchal and Patriarchal society-different offence against women

Unit II: Constitutional Scheme of Gender Justice in India (10 Session)

Concept of Gender justice, Gender Discrimination, Protective provisions in favor of women, gender equality, right against exploitation, Judicial Pronouncement, Fundamental duty

Unit III: Position of women under the various Personal Laws (10 Session)

Remedies available to women under matrimonial laws-Protection of women under criminal laws-Protection from Dowry related harassment-Protection from sexual Assault and Acid Attacks-Criminal Law Amendment Act 2013

Unit IV: Legislative Framework for the Protection of women (10 Session)

Law relating to Dowry Prohibition, Prohibition of Child marriage, Protection from Sexual harassment, Female feticide, Inheritance rights of women, Maintenance, Protection of women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005.

Unit V: International Concern for protection of women (10 Session)

Women's rights as human rights, UN Conventions, Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW).

Suggested Readings:

1. J.N Pandey, The Constitutional Law of India, Central Law Agency.
2. Dr. G. B Reddy, Women and the Law, Gogia Law Agency.
3. K.D Gaur, Textbook on Indian Penal Code, Universal Law Publishing
4. Dr. Suman Rai, Law relating to Protection of Women from Domestic Violence, Delhi Law House.
5. Indira Jaising, Handbook on law of Domestic Violence, Lexis Nexis Butterworths Wadhwa