

JOURNALISM (UG) SYLLABUS

Semester: 4 Paper: 4 (4.4)

MEDIA LAWS

Theory: 5 Hours/week

Total Hours/ semester: 80

Unit- 1 116 hrs

Concept of Freedom of Press: Press as a Fourth Estate: Press during Emergency-1975: Role of Press in democracy

16 hrs.

Unit- 2

Freedom of Speech and expression: Article 19(1) (a) and Article 19(2) – Case studies

16 hrs.

Unit- 3

Media Laws – Defamation and Slander – Libel – Sedition- Obscenity – censorship – Contempt of Court – Cyber Law

16 hrs.

Unit- 4

Media Laws: Official Secret Act – Working Journalists Act of 1955 – Parliamentary Proceedings and Privileges – The Press and Registration of Book Act – Copy right Act – RTI – PrasaraBharathi Act

16 hrs.

Unit- 5

Press Council of India – Press commission of India

BOOKS FOR REFERENCE

1. DurgadasBasu: *Laws of the Press in India*
2. Rayudu C.S.: *Communication Laws*
3. Umrigar D.M.: *Journalist and the Law*
4. Pil : The Law and the Press
5. DurgadasBasu: Indian Constitution
6. SomeswaraRao: Journalism: Ethics, codes and the Law
7. Radhakrishnamurthy B: Indian Press Laws
8. Reports: 1. First Press Commission
2. Second Press Commission
3. Press Council Act