

OPTIONAL PAPER
LAW REGARDING ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION UNDER INTERNATIONAL LEGAL REGIME

Paper: 104-D

Max. Marks: 100

Credits: 5

Time: 3 Hours

Note:

1. There shall be total five units in the question paper.
2. Unit-I shall contain one compulsory question having four parts of five marks each. This question shall be spread over the entire syllabus.
3. There shall be two questions in each Unit i.e. Unit-II to Unit-V.
4. The student is required to attempt four questions by selecting one question from each unit i.e. Unit-II to Unit-V. Each question shall carry twenty marks.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- To understand the evolution of contemporary international environmental law.
- To analyze global environmental concerns and politics.
- To examine nuclear and other transboundary hazards.
- To evaluate international obligations to protect natural resources.
- To develop skills in legal research, analysis, and writing.

UNIT-I

Evolution of Contemporary International Environmental Law

- Evolution of Environmental Principles and Norms in International Law
- Bilateral and multilateral agreements concerning pollution, and management of resources.
- UN conferences from Stockholm to contemporary soft law instruments
- Legal Perspectives on Agenda 21 – MDGs – SDGs – its relevancy
- Universal Principle of International Environmental Protection

UNIT -II

Global Environmental Concerns and Politics

- History of Transboundary environmental harms.
- Concept of Global Warming, cause and its impacts.
- Mitigation and Adaptation strategies.
- Environmental Politics and its reflections in the International Legal Regime.

UNIT-III

Nuclear and Other Transboundary Hazards

- Nuclear Energy Regulation: Safety standard and Risk Management.
- International Disaster Management Law, Nuclear Waste Management and Disposal: Environment impacts and Legal frameworks.
- Sustainable Waste Management
- Legal framework for Managing Natural and Technological Disasters.

UNIT-IV

International Obligations to Protect Natural Resources

- International agreements and conventions concerning conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.
- Protection of Oceans and Marine Resources.
- Management and allocation of Transboundary water resources.
- Legal frameworks for addressing Global Environmental challenges.

COURSE OUTCOME:

- Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of key concepts and principles in international environmental law.
- Students will be able to critically evaluate environmental issues from multiple perspectives.
- Students will be able to identify and assess legal mechanisms for addressing environmental challenges.
- Students will be able to apply legal frameworks to real-world environmental problems.
- Students will be able to communicate effectively on environmental legal issues..

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Phillippe Sands (2018) : “Principles of International Environmental Law” Cambridge
2. Daniel Bodansky (2007) (ed) : “The Oxford Handbook of International Law”
Bharat H. Desai (ed) (2014) “International Environmental Governance” Brill: Nijhoff

4. Alexandre Kiss (2007) : Guide to International Environmental Law, MartinusNijhoffPublications.
5. Alan Boyle and Patricia Bernie (2009) : International Law and Environment, Oxford