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Curriculum of F.Y.B.Com (Semester I) Foundation Course

## Syllabus

### Unit - 1 : Overview of Indian Society

(5 Lec.)

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.

### Unit - 2 : Concept of Disparity - 1

(10 Lec.)

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.

### Unit - 3 : Concept of Disparity - 2

(10 Lec.)

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.

### Unit - 4 : The Indian Constitution

(10 Lec.)

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.

### Unit - 5 : Significant Aspects of Political Processes

(10 Lec.)

The party system in Indian politics;

Local self-government in urban and rural areas;

The 73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> Amendments and their implications for inclusive politics;

Role and significance of women in politics.

### Topics for Project Guidance : Growing Social Problems in India

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

**Note :** Out of the 45 lectures allotted for 5 units for Semester I, about 15 lecture may be allotted for project guidance.



**Curriculum of F.Y.B.Com (Semester II) Foundation Course**

## Syllabus

**Unit 1 : Globalisation and Indian Society**

(7 Lec.)

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.

**Unit 2 : Human Rights**

(10 Lec.)

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.

**Unit 3 : Ecology**

(10 Lec.)

Importance of Environment Studies in the current developmental context;  
Understanding Concepts of Environment, Ecology and their inter-connectedness;  
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

**Unit 4 : Understanding Stress and Conflict**

(10 Lec.)

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.

**Unit 5 : Managing Stress and Conflict in Contemporary Society**

(8 Lec.)

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.

**Topics For Project Guidance : 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.

**Note:** Out of the 45 lectures allotted for 5 units for Semester II, about 15 lectures may be allotted for project guidance.