



**The Kelkar Education Trust's  
Vinayak Ganesh Vaze College of Arts, Science & Commerce  
(Autonomous)**

**SYLLABUS FOR F.Y. BCOM**

**(JUNE 2024 ONWARDS)**

**PROGRAMME: BACHELOR OF COMMERCE**

**SEMESTER I & II**

**COURSE: FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW I & II**

**General/Open Elective**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Paper Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>
<b>VFL126 &amp; VFL176</b>	<b>FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW I &amp; II</b>	<b>4</b>

## **1. Syllabus as per Choice Based Credit System**

- 1) Name of the Programme** : F.Y. BCOM
- 2) Course Code** : VFL126 & VFL176
- 3) Course Title** : FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW  
I & II
- 4) Semester wise Course Contents** : Copy of the syllabus Enclosed
- 5) Reference & Additional References** : Enclosed in the syllabus
- 6) Credit Structure**
- (No. of Credit per Semester)** : 04
- 7) No. of Lectures Per Unit** : 15
- 8) No. of Lectures Per Week** : 04
- 9) No. of Tutorials Per Week** : NIL

## **2. Scheme of Examination : Semester End Exam: 60 Marks**

(4 Questions of 15 Marks)

**Internal Assessment 40 Marks:**

**Test:** 15 Marks

**Project/Assignments:** 15 Marks

**Class Participation:** 10 Marks

**3. Special Notes (if any)** : No

**4. Eligibility (if any)** : As laid down in the College-

-Admission Brochure/Website

**5. Fee Structure** : As per College Fee Structure Specification

**6. Special Ordinances/Resolutions (if any)** : No

**Programme:** FYBCOM

**Semester:** I & II

**Course:** Fundamentals of Law

**Course Code:** VFL126 & VFL176

Teaching Scheme (Hrs/Week)				Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) 40 marks					End Semester Examination	Total
L	T	P	C	CIA-1	CIA-2	CIA-3	CIA-4	Lab	Written	
4	-	-	4	15	15	10	-	-	60	100

**Maximum Time, Semester End Exam (Theory) – 2 Hrs.**

### Course Objectives

1) To help the students gain an understanding of the Fundamentals of Law

2) To help the students to develop an overview of the Indian Judicial system

### FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW I

#### Course Outcomes:

Students should be able to...

**CO1:** Comprehend the Foundations of Law.

**CO2:** Apply legal principles and Classify Legal Systems.

**CO3:** Evaluate the Historical Evolution of Indian Legal System.

**CO4:** Analyze the different Access to Justice Mechanisms.

### FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW I

	Course Contents Semester I	
Sr. No.	Modules/Units	
1	<b>Nature and meaning of Law</b>	<b>Lectures</b>
	1.1 Nature and meaning of Law. 1.2 Introduction, Historical perspectives, schools of Law.	<b>15</b>

	1.3 Functions and purposes of Law.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Classification of Law &amp; Sources of Law</b>	<b>15</b>
	<p>2.1 International Law- Public and Private, Municipal Law-public and private.</p> <p>2.2 Sources of Law: Formal Sources of law, Material Sources of Law.</p> <p>2.3 Customs, Judicial precedents, Legislation as a source of Law.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Historical evolution of Indian Legal system</b>	<b>15</b>
	<p>3.1 Overview of evolution of Hindu Law,</p> <p>3.2 Overview of evolution of Islamic Law, Christian Law,</p> <p>3.3 Evolution of Civil and Criminal Law in India.</p>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Understanding Access to Justice</b>	<b>15</b>
	<p>4.1 Meaning of Justice- Constitutional Perspective: Right to Equality, Right to Life, and Right to Legal Aid.</p> <p>4.2 Barriers to Access to Justice: Economic, Social, Cultural, and Legal.</p> <p>4.3 Legal Aid Mechanisms in India: National Legal Services Authority (NALSA), State Legal Services Authorities (SLSAs), and District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs)</p>	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>

## FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW II

### Course Outcomes:

Students should be able to...

**CO1:** Explain the types of Legal Hierarchies

**CO2:** Apply and comprehend different types of Legal Procedures and Remedies

**CO3:** Evaluate Civil and Criminal Processes in Indian Courts

**CO4:** Analyze and Understand concept of Legal Education and Practitioner Roles

## FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW II

	Course Contents Semester II	
Sr. No.	Modules/Units	Lectures
1	<b>Hierarchy of Courts</b>	15
	1.1 Courts of Metropolitan Magistrate, Courts of Judicial Magistrate and Sessions Court, Munsif Court. 1.2 Tribunals, Family Courts, Consumer Courts. 1.3 High Courts and Supreme Court of India.	
2	<b>Structure and functioning of Civil and Criminal Courts in India</b>	15

	<p>2.1 Civil process, Civil Court structure. Decree, order and judgement, principles of” res judicata” and “res sub judice”.</p> <p>2.2 Criminal process: Investigation and prosecution, Warrant, summons and summary Trials, bailable and non Bailable offences.</p> <p>2.3 Cognizable and non-cognizable offences, FIR, life imprisonment, Probation and Parole, Death penalty.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Legal Procedures and Remedies</b>	<b>20</b>
	<p>3.1 Basics of Legal Procedures: Filing Complaints, Responding to Legal Notices and Court Proceedings.</p> <p>3.2 PIL, Alternative Dispute Resolution: Mediation, Arbitration, and Negotiation.</p> <p>3.3 Lok Adalat. Remedies in Civil Cases, Remedies in Criminal cases.</p>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Legal Education in India &amp; Types of Legal Practitioners</b>	<b>10</b>
	<p>4.1 Overview of the legal education system, including law school and bar exams.</p> <p>4.2 Barristers, Solicitors, Advocate, Solicitor General of India, Attorney General of India.</p> <p>4.3 Types of Judges: Union Judiciary, State Judiciary, Appointment of Judges, Impeachment of Judges.</p>	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>

**Beyond Syllabus**

Presentations, Guest lectures on recent developments, Court Visits, Special Classes for students who are below average, debates and Group discussions

**QUESTION PAPER PATTERN****Maximum Marks: 60****Duration: 2 Hours****Question to be set: 04**

<b>Q. No.</b>	<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Marks</b>
<b>Q. 1.</b>	<b>Module I</b>  <b>Attempt any TWO of the following out of THREE Questions:</b>  (i)  (ii)  (iii)	<b>15 Marks</b>
<b>Q.2.</b>	<b>Module II</b>  <b>Attempt any TWO of the following out of THREE Questions:</b>  (i)  (ii)  (iii)	<b>15 Marks</b>



<b>Q.3.</b>	<b>Module III</b>  <b>Attempt any TWO of the following out of THREE Questions:</b>  (i)  (ii)  (iii)	<b>15 Marks</b>
<b>Q.4.</b>	<b>Module IV</b>  <b>Attempt any TWO of the following out of THREE Questions:</b>  (i)  (ii)  (iii)	<b>15 Marks</b>

#### **Distribution of marks as per Units, COs and Bloom's Taxonomy**

<b>Unit</b>	<b>COs</b>	<b>Bloom's Taxonomy Level</b>	<b>Type of Question</b>	<b>Marks</b>	<b>Weightage (%)</b>
1	CO1: Explain	Understanding	Short notes /essay type	15	25
2	CO2: Apply	Applying	Essay Type: Problem solving	15	25
3	CO3: Evaluate	Evaluating	Essay Type: Case Study/case law	15	25
4	CO4: Analyse	Analysing	Essay Type – Analytical based task	15	25

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

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Reference Books	<p>1. Legal Method, Reasoning and Research Methodology by Avtar Singh, Publisher: LexisNexis India</p> <p>2. Introduction to the Constitution of India by Durga Das Basu Publisher: LexisNexis India</p> <p>3. Indian Legal History by M.P. Jain, Publisher: LexisNexis India</p> <p>4. Access to Justice, edited by Deborah L. Rhode and Amanda K. Marshall, Publisher: Oxford University Press</p> <p>5. Courts and their Judgments: Premises, Prerequisites, Consequences by P. S. Narayana, Publisher: LexisNexis India</p> <p>6. Legal Procedures and Remedies: A Comprehensive Guide by R.K. Gupta, Publisher: Universal Law Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd. (an imprint of LexisNexis India)</p> <p>7. Legal Education in India: Past, Present, and Future by Alok Kumar, Publisher: Eastern Book Company</p>

<b>Reference Sites</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. (<a href="https://www.supremecourtfindia.nic.in/">https://www.supremecourtfindia.nic.in/</a>)</li> <li>2. (<a href="https://nja.gov.in/">https://nja.gov.in/</a>)</li> <li>3. (<a href="http://nalsa.gov.in/">http://nalsa.gov.in/</a>)</li> <li>4. (<a href="http://www.barcouncilofindia.org/">http://www.barcouncilofindia.org/</a>)</li> </ol>

**The final syllabus has been approved by the following BoS Members:**

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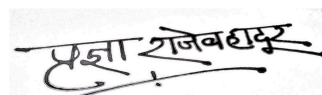
Dr. Jacinta Stephen Bastian - Subject Expert – From Other University (PUNE UNIVERSITY)

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