

UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Open Course in POLITICAL SCIENCE
for the students of CBCSS First Degree Programmes in subjects other than Political Science
SYLLABUS

Semester: 5 Type of course: **Open Course**
 Course Code: **PS1551.2** Course Name: **HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDIA**
 Instruction Hours/Week: 3 Number of credits: 2

Aim of the Course

To familiarize the concept of Human Rights and impart awareness about the Human Rights conditions in India

Objectives of the course

1. To make a detailed understanding about the constitutional provisions dealing with Human Rights.
2. To make awareness about the Rights of socially excluded people.

MODULE I - Human Rights – its basic concepts

Origin and development
 Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948)
 Need for balance between rights and duties

MODULE II - Human Rights and the Indian Constitution

Fundamental Rights
 Directive Principles of State Policy, Fundamental Duties
 Protection and Enforcement Agencies – National Human Rights Commission,
 Women's Commission, Police and Human Rights

MODULE III - Human Rights of Disadvantaged Sections in Kerala

Women and Children – Problem of representation, Violence against women – Child labour
 Dalits and Adivasis – Right to development and shelter

MODULE IV - New Dimensions of Human Rights

Right to Development
 Media in protecting Human Rights
 Globalisation and Human Rights
 Civil War and Terrorism – The Right to Peace

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