School of Law, HILSR Jamia Hamdard

Course Syllabus

Course Overview:

Course Title: Criminal Law – I

Course Code: BALLB -301

Semester: 3rd

Credits: 4

Medium of Instruction/Assessment: English

Objectives of the Course:

Crime and Punishment has been the one of the most important task of rule of law of the State. This course is designed with a prime object to familiarize students with the principles of criminal liability and other concepts of substantive criminal law.

Assessment and Evaluation:

The course has a weightage of 100 marks. 75 % of the marks will be covered by the End Semester Examination; while as 25 % will constitute internal assessment to be done by the concerned instructor.

- (A) End Semester Examination: There shall be ten questions in the Question paper with two from each unit. Students shall have to answer five questions in all selecting one from each unit.
- **(B)** Internal Assessment: Students will be assessed and evaluated by the concerned teacher during the entire semester at regular intervals. This will be done by employing a wide range of methods including written tests, tutorials, term paper writing, presentations etc. Attendance of the students will also form a part of the internal assessment.

Course Outline:

The course is based on five units.

UNIT-I INTRODUCTION

Introduction to Law of crimes Concept of Crime- Mens Rea- Actus Reus- Causation in crime-Strict liability, offences Stages of Crime: Intention, Preparation, Attempt and Completion

UNIT- II OFFENCES AGAINST HUMAN BODY-I

Culpable Homicide, Murder, Death Caused by Rash & Negligent Act.

UNIT- III OFFENCES AGAINST HUMAN BODY-II

Hurt: Grievous and Simple- Assault and Criminal Force, Wrongful Restraint and Wrongful Confinement, Kidnapping and Abduction.

UNIT- IV OFFENCES AGAINST PROPERTY

Theft-Extortion-Robbery-Dacoity, Criminal Misappropriation-Criminal Breach of Trust, Mischief-Cheating-Criminal Trespass.

UNIT- V OFFENCES AGAINST WOMEN

Obscenity, Outraging Modesty of Woman, Sexual Harassment, Voyeurism, Stalking, Eveteasing, Rape, Buying or Selling a Minor for Prostitution, Offence Relating to Miscarriage, Dowry Death-Cruelty by Husband or Relatives of a Husband.

Suggested Readings

- 1. C.K. Takwani: Indian Penal Code, Eastern Book Company, Lucknow.
- 2. Dr. S.R. Myneni: Law of Crimes (Indian Penal Code, 1860), Asia Law House, Hyderabad.
- 3. Harish Chander: The Indian Penal Code-A Critical Commentary, Eastern Law House, Kolkata.
- 4. Justice K.T. Thomas & M. A. Rashid: Ratanlal & Dhirajlal-The Indian Penal Code, LexisNexis India.
- 5. K. D. Gaur: Commentary on the Indian Penal Code, Universal Law Publishing Co Pvt Ltd., New Delhi.
- 6. K. S. N Murthy & K. V. S Sarma: KSN Murthy's Criminal Law (Indian Penal Code), LexisNexis India, Gurgaon.