

For the Year 2026

# Legal Studies-317

## Syllabus for NCET

LEGAL STUDIES

*Note:*

*There will be one Question Paper which will have 28 questions out of which 25 questions need to be attempted.*

## **Unit 1: Judiciary**

- Structure and Hierarchy of Courts and Legal Offices in India
- Constitution, Roles, and Impartiality
- Appointments, Training, Retirement, and Removal of Judges
- Courts and Judicial Review

## **Unit 2: Topics of Law**

- Law of Property
- Law of Contracts
- Law of Torts
- Introduction to Criminal Laws in India

## **Unit 3: Arbitration, Tribunal Adjunction, and Alternative Dispute Resolution**

- Adversarial and Inquisitorial Systems
- Introduction to Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Types of ADR
- Arbitration, Administrative, Tribunals
- Mediation and Conciliation
- Lok Adalats
- Ombudsman
- Lokpal and Lokayukta

## **Unit 4: Human Rights in India**

- Introduction – International Context

- Constitutional framework and Related laws in India
- Complaint Mechanisms of Quasi-judicial Bodies

## **Unit 5: Legal Profession in India**

### **Introduction**

- The Advocates Act, 1961, The Bar Council of India, Lawyers and Professional Ethics, Advertising by Lawyers, Opportunities for Law graduates, Legal Education in India, Liberalization of the Legal
- Profession, Women and the Legal Profession in India

## **Unit 6: Legal Services**

- Legal background – Free Legal Aid under Criminal law, Legal Aid by the State, Legal Aid under the Indian Constitution, NALSA Regulations, 2010
- Criteria for giving free Legal Services
- Lok Adalats
- Legal Aid in Context of Social Justice and Human Rights

## **Unit 7: International Context**

- Introduction to International Law
- Sources of International Law – Treaties, Customs and ICJ Decisions
- International Institutions, International Human Rights
- Customary International Law
- International law & Municipal Law
- International Law & India
- Dispute Resolution – ICJ, ICC and Other Dispute Resolution Mechanisms

## **Unit 8: Legal Maxims**

Important Legal Maxims.

Meaning with illustrations of the following:

- *Actus non facit reum nisi mens sit rea*
- *Ad valorem*
- *Amicus Curiae*
- *Audi alterem partem*
- *Assentio Mentium*
- *Bona fide*
- *Bona Vacantia*
- *Caveat Emptor*
- *Corpus Delicto*
- *Damnum Sine Injuria*
- *De Die in Diem*
- *De Minimis Lex Non Curat*
- *Doli Incapax*
- *Ejusdem Generis*
- *Ex Post Facto*
- *Ignorantia Facti Excusat – Ignorantia Juris Non Excusat*
- *Injuria Sine Damnum*
- *Locus Standi*
- *Nemo Debet Esse Judex in Propria Sua Causa*
- *Nemo debet non quod habet*
- *Noscitur a Sociis*
- *Obiter Dicta*
- *Pari Materia*
- *Per Incuriam*
- *Qui Facit Per Alium, Facit Per Se*
- *Quid pro quo*
- *Ratio Decidendi*
- *Res ipsa loquitur*
- *Res Judicata Accipitur Pro Veritate*
- *Salus Populi Est Suprema Lex*
- *Stare Decisis*
- *Ubi Jus Ibi Remedium*