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# 21HS124 CONSTITUTION OF INDIA

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# **COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES:**

To provide students with a basic understanding of Indian Polity and Constitution and make them understand the functioning of government at the centre and state besides local self government, in order to equip the them with knowledge on fundamental rights and duties of a citizen in democracy.

# **COURSE OUTCOMES:**

Upon completion of the course, the students will be able to achieve the following outcomes:

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1	Understand the constitution and its role in safeguarding individual rights.
2	Understand the functioning of organs of the State in a democracy.
3	Understand the relationship between rights and duties of citizens.
4	Analyze the major articles and provisions of Indian constitution.

# SKILLS:

- ✓ Understanding of the basics of Indian constitution.
- ✓ Awareness of the fundamental rights, duties and DPSP.
- ✓ Knowledge of the functioning of various institutions in democracy.

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UNIT - I

Meaning of the constitution law and constitutionalism; Historical perspective of the Constitution of India; Salient features and characteristics of the Constitution of India.

Scheme of the fundamental rights; Scheme of the fundamental right to equality; Scheme of the fundamental right to certain freedom under article 19; Scope of the right to life and personal liberty under article 21; The scheme of the fundamental duties and its legal status; The directive principles of state policy; Its importance and implementation.

UNIT - II

Federal structure and distribution of legislative and financial powers between the union and the states; Parliamentary form of Government in India; The constitution powers and status of the President of India; emergency provisions: National emergency, President rule, Financial emergency.

Amendment of the constitutional powers and procedure; The historical perspectives of the constitutional amendments in India; Local self-government; Constitutional scheme in India.

# **TEXT BOOK:**

1. P. M. Bhakshi, "Constitution of India", 15th edition, Universal Law Publishing, 2018.

#### **REFERENCE BOOK:**

1. Subhash Kashyap, "Our Constitution", 2nd edition, National Book Trust, India, 2011.

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