

Code: BMS 102

Module: Laws, Ethics & Challenges in Mass Communication

Sessions	Topics
1 – 2	Defamation Act, Libel & Slander, Evidence Act
2 – 4	Freedom of the press, The Press (Objectionable matters) Act, Press Council, PIB, Press During Emergency, Professional Secrecy & the Law, Code of Ethics & Guideline for Press
5 – 6	Contempt of Court, Copyright, Intellectual Properties Act, Press Council of India.
7 – 12	Press & Registration of Books Act, Delivery of Books & Newspapers Act, Official Secrets Act, Indian Telegraph Act, Indian Post Office Act, Newspaper (Price & Page) Act, Newspaper (Price Control) Act, The Press Council Act, Working Journalists (Fixation of Wages) Act, Prevention of Seditious Meeting Act, Prevention of Publication of Objectionable Matter (Repeal Act), Young Persons (Harmful Publication) Act 1956, Bachchawat Commission, Censorship Act, Censor Board, etc.
13 – 14	Media Ethics & Professional Morality; some cases; ASCI, AAAI, Editors' Guild, INS.
15 – 16	Broadcast and Convergence Acts of India
17 – 18	Internet & Cyberspace in the present age, Evolution & History of Cyber Crime, Various Cyber Crimes, Cyber Laws & Information Technology Act
19 – 20	Sting Operations, Reality TV & Documentary – Subjectivity & Objectivity

Suggested Book List:

- Laws of the Press in India – Justice Durgadas Basu
- Press & Press Laws in India – H. P. Ghosh
- Essential Laws for Journalism – R. M. Taylor
- Press Laws – Nirad Kumar Bhattacharya
- Mass Media & Related Laws in India – B. Manna
- Gaping for Ethics in Journalism – Eugene H. Goodwer
- Nature of Cyber Laws – S.R. Sharma
- Press Laws In India –K.Swami