

B.A.LL.B (Hons.) 5 YEARS INTEGRATED COURSE

SEMESTER-II

Course Code	ENG172
Course Title	English and Legal Language
Type of Course	Core
L T P	5 1 0
Credits	6
Course Prerequisites	12th
Course Objectives (CO.)	The course aims to enhance students' vocabulary and comprehension skills through the prescribed texts, teach the rules of English grammar descriptively and make students aware about the socio-cultural aspects of the English language. Apart from that the course aims to enhance students' understanding of legal language and legal writing, hone students' professional skills related to the language and make students aware about the socio-cultural aspects of the language.

UNIT-I

- Legal Language
- Abbreviations
- One Word Substitution
- Paronyms
- Legal Latin/ Foreign Words and Phrases

UNIT-II

- English Idioms and Phrases
- Antonyms and Synonyms
- Legal Terms
- Legal Maxims
- Precis Writing

UNIT-III

- Translation
- Plaint
- Conveyancing
- Principles of Interpretation of Statutes
- Drafting of Law Reports

UNIT-IV

- Legal Essays
- Experience and affliction of Mahatma Gandhi as lawyer Text: *An Autobiography or The Story of My Experiments with Truth* by M.K. Gandhi (Navajivan Publishing House)

Selected Chapters:

- 1) Part I Chapter XXIV: “called” – But then? Chapter XXV: My Helplessness
- 2) Part II Chapter III: The First Case Chapter IV: The First Shock Chapter V: Preparing for South Africa Chapter VIII: On the way to Pretoria

Suggested Readings:

- *Legal Language* by Madabhusi Sridhar
- *Legal Language* by P.M. Bakshi
- *Outlines of Legal Language in India* by Dr. Anirudh Prasad
- *Legal Language and Legal Writing* by P. K. Mishra
- *Legal Language, Writing and General English* by J.S. Singh
- *Clinical Legal Education* by N. R. Madhava Menon
- *Legal Language, Legal Writing & General English* by S. C. Tripathi