

B.Sc. Forensic Science: Semester-II	
FST 201: Law for Forensic Scientists	
Teaching Scheme	Examination Scheme
Lectures: 3 hrs/Week	Class Test -12 Marks
Tutorials: 1 hr/Week	Teachers Assessment – 6 Marks
Credits: 4	Attendance – 12 Marks
	End Semester Exam – 70 marks

Course Objectives: After studying this paper the students will know –

1. Elements of Criminal Procedure Code related to forensic science.
2. Acts and provisions of the Constitution of India related to forensic science.
3. Acts governing socio-economic crimes.
4. Acts governing environmental crimes.

Unit 1: Introduction to criminal law

Offence – Definition and its types. Classification – civil, criminal cases.

Essential elements of criminal laws. Constitution and hierarchy of criminal courts.

Criminal Procedure Code – Cognizable and non-cognizable offences. Bailable and non-bailable offences and other relevant sections. Section 291, 292 and 293.

Unit 2: Indian Penal Code

Offences against persons – Sections 121A, 299, 300, 302, 304, 304A, 304B, 306, 307, 309, 319, 320, 324, 326, 351, 354, 359, 362.

Sections 375 & 377 and their amendments.

Offences against property – Sections 378, 383, 390, 391, 405, 415, 420, 441, 463, 489A, 497, 499, 503, 511.

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Unit 3: Indian Evidence Act

Evidence and rules of relevancy in brief. Expert witness. Cross examination and re-examination of witnesses. Examination in Chief.
Sections 32, 45, 46, 47, 57, 58, 60, 73, 135, 136, 137, 138, 141.

Unit 4: Constitution Of India

Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy. – Articles 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 51A.


Unit 5: Acts Pertaining to Socio-economic and Environmental Crimes

Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act. Essential Commodity Act. Drugs and Cosmetics Act. Explosive Substances Act. Arms Act. Dowry Prohibition Act. Prevention of Food Adulteration Act. Prevention of Corruption Act. Wildlife Protection Act. I.T. Act. Environment Protection Act.

Suggested Readings

1. D.A. Bronstein, *Law for the Expert Witness*, CRC Press, Boca Raton (1999).
2. Vipa P. Sarthi, *Law of Evidence*, 6th Edition, Eastern Book Co., Lucknow (2006).
3. A.S. Pillia, *Criminal Law*, 6th Edition, N.M. Tripathi Pvt Ltd., Mumbai (1983).
4. R.C. Nigam, *Law of Crimes in India*, Volume I, Asia Publishing House, New Delhi (1965).
5. (Chief Justice) M. Monir, *Law of Evidence*, 6th Edition, Universal Law Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi (2002).
6. Constitution of India, Bare Act


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