



# GANDHI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT (GITAM)

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## GITAM SCHOOL OF LAW

### PhD Entrance Test Syllabus

#### PhD in Law

##### **Module I - Constitutional Law**

Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles of State Policy, Judiciary, Executive, Union State Legislative Relations, Emergency Provisions, Amendment of the Constitution, Writ Jurisdiction, Constitutional safeguards to a civil servant, Elections and electoral reforms.

##### **Module II - Legal Theory**

Nature and Sources of Law, Positivism, Natural Law Theory, Sociological School, Historical School, Realist School, Theories of Punishment, Rights and Duties, Concepts of Possession and Ownership, Concept of justice, Administration of Justice.

##### **Module III - Public International Law**

Nature of International Law and its relationship with Municipal Law, Sources of International Law, Recognition of States and Governments, United Nations, Settlement of International Disputes, Human Rights.

##### **Module IV - Law of Contracts: General Principles**

Essentials of a valid contract, Offer, acceptance and consideration, Capacity to Contract: Minor's contract, Elements vitiating contract: Mistake, fraud, misrepresentation, public policy, coercion, undue influence, frustration of contract, Remedies for breach of contract: Damages.

##### **Module V - Law of Torts**

Foundation of Tortious Liability, General Defenses to an action of Tort, Vicarious Liability, Remoteness of Damages, Contributory Negligence, Absolute and Strict Liability.

##### **Module VI - Law of Crimes: General Principles (Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhitha-2023)**

Nature and Definition of Offence, General Exceptions, Common Intention and Common Object, Criminal Attempt, Conspiracy and Abetment, Offences against Women.

##### **Module VII - Labour Law:**

Concepts: Industry, Industrial Dispute and Workman, Trade Unions: Rights and Immunities of Registered, Trade Union: Registration and its advantages, Methods for Settlement of Industrial Disputes under the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947, Strike and Lockout as Instruments of Collective Bargaining, Retrenchment, Lay-off and Closures.

##### **Module VIII - Intellectual Property Rights:**

Concept and meaning of Intellectual Property, Theories of intellectual property Rights, International conventions pertaining to intellectual property rights, Types of IPR.