# THIRUVALLUVAR UNIVERSITY

# **HUMAN RIGHTS**

## **COMPULSORY PAPER**

(For all PG Degree Courses)

(with effect from 2012-2013)

## **UNIT-I**

Definition of Human Rights - Nature, Content, Legitimacy and Priority - Theories on Human Rights - Historical Development of Human Rights.

### **UNIT-II**

International Human Rights - Prescription and Enforcement upto World War II - Human Rights and the U.N.O. - Universal Declaration of Human Rights - International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights - International Convenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and Optional Protocol.

### **UNIT-III**

Human Rights Declarations - U.N. Human Rights Declarations - U.N. Human Commissioner.

### **UNIT-IV**

Amnesty International - Human Rights and Helsinki Process - Regional Developments - European Human Rights System - African Human Rights System - International Human Rights in Domestic courts.

## **UNIT-V**

Contemporary Issues on Human Rights: Children's Rights - Women's Rights - Dalit's Rights - Bonded Labour and Wages - Refugees - Capital Punishment.

Fundamental Rights in the Indian Constitution - Directive Principles of State Policy - Fundamental Duties - National Human Rights Commission.

### **Books for Reference:**

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Mausice Cranston- What is Human Rights

Desai, A.R. - Violation of Democratic Rights in India

Pandey - Constitutional Law.

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G.S. Bajwa - Human Rights in India.

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P.C.Sinha & - International Encyclopedia of Peace, Security

K. Cheous (Ed) - Social Justice and Human Rights (Vols 1-7).

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International Instruments of Human Rights, UN Publication

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