

COURSE SCHEME
SEMESTER V
MAHATHMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY

BA ISLAMIC HISTORY
COURSE CODE : IH5CRT10
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES IN ISLAM AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Module I

General concept on Environment – Definition- Protection of environment- environmental ethics- Environmental responsibility- International conventions on environmental protection- general laws on environment and development- Environmental protection act of 1986- world environment day- significances- Environmental pollutions- global warming- Preservation of environment

Module II

Environment in Islamic perspective- Hima –Environmental dimensions of Islam- Quran as a source of environmental protection- Islamic declaration on Global climate change - Islamic foundations on ecology and environmental science – Environmental activism in Islam - caution against the mischief and wastage of natural resources - Special instructions on the protection of environment- Surah Al-Baqara (204-205), Al Rum (41), Al-Qasara (25-27), Al-fajr(19-20), al-An'am(141), Al-Ahzab, Al-Nahl.

Module III

Traditions of Prophet on environment- Teachings on the protection of nature and the preservation of water bodies- importance of preserving water and air – forestation and deforestation – Hadith on the preservation of eco-system- Caution against environmental pollution.

Module IV

Measures for the protection of environment during Pious caliphs- Laws on the protection of natural resources on the occasion of war- war ethics- penalty for

cutting and destruction of plants- Rights of animals, birds, plants and human beings on the resources of earth- measures adopted by pious caliphs to preserve water bodies -to prevent soil erosion - to prevent air pollution and water pollution.

Module - V (18 Hours)

Unit 1 - Human Rights

An Introduction to Human Rights, Meaning, concept and development –History of Human Rights-Different Generations of Human Rights- Universality of Human Rights- Basic International Human Rights Documents - UDHR ,ICCPR,ICESCR.- Value dimensions of Human Rights

Unit 2 - Human Rights and United Nations

Human Rights co-ordination within UN system- Role of UN secretariat- The Economic and Social Council- The Commission Human Rights-The Security Council and Human rights- The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination- The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women- the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights- The Human Rights Committee- Critical Appraisal of UN Human Rights Regime.

Unit 3- Human Rights National Perspective

Human Rights in Indian Constitution – Fundamental Rights- The Constitutional Context of Human Rights-directive Principles of State Policy and Human Rights- Human Rights of Women-children –minorities- Prisoners- Science Technology and Human Rights- National Human Rights Commission- State Human Rights Commission- Human Rights Awareness in Education.

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9. Sahih Muslim
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13. Universal human rights in theory and practice : Jack Donnelly
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