

Discipline Specific Elective Course- 6.4 (DSE-6.4): Industrial Relations and Labour Laws

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
DSE 6.4-Industrial Relations and Labour Laws	4	3	1	0	Pass in Class XII	NIL

Learning Objectives

The course aims to enable the students to learn the concepts of industrial relations including trade unions, discipline, grievance redressal and various labour laws/ code.

Learning outcomes

After completion of the course, learners will be able to:

1. Analyse the evolution of industrial relations and its significance in the managerial world.
2. Evaluate the significance of international dimensions of industrial relations in a globalized world.
3. Imbibe how to interact, negotiate and transact with trade unions.
4. Design and understand the discipline measures and grievance mechanisms.
5. Analyse the legal structure provided for handling the industrial disputes.

SYLLABUS OF DSE-6.4

Unit 1: Industrial Relations (IR) (11 hours)

Concept of Industrial Relations; Nature of Industrial Relations; Objectives of IR; Factors affecting IR in changing Environment, Evolution of IR in India; Role of State; Trade Union; Employers' Organisation; Human Resource Management and IR; Concept of GIG Economy and ramifications for industrial relations.

Unit 2: International Dimensions of Industrial Relations (6 hours)

Role of ILO in Industrial Relations: Adoption of conventions and recommendations, Influence on Indian labour legislation, Impact of globalization on IR.

Unit 3: Trade Union (11 hours)

Origin and growth, Unions in the era of liberalisation; Factors Affecting Growth of Trade Unions in India, Multiplicity & Recognition of Trade Unions; Major Provisions of Trade Union Law.

Unit 4: Discipline and Grievance Redressal (6 hours)

Discipline: Causes of indiscipline, Maintenance of discipline, Misconduct, Highlights of domestic enquiries; Labour turnover; Absenteeism; Grievance: Meaning and Grievance redressal machinery in India; Salient features of Industrial Employment Standing orders.

Unit 5: Industrial Disputes (11 hours)

Definitions of Industry, and Industrial Dispute; Procedure, Powers and Duties of Authorities for resolution of disputes; Strikes and Lockouts; Provisions relating to Layoff, Retrenchment, and Closure.

Exercises:

The learners are required to:

1. Examine various factors having bearing on industrial relations.
2. Analyse the ratification of ILO conventions by different countries.
3. Enlist the process of registering a trade union.
4. Study the Grievance redressal mechanism of any business unit.
5. Identify the recently reported industrial dispute in India in large corporate or MNC's having factories in India, and analyse latest case laws related to industrial disputes.

Suggested Readings:

- Katz, H. C., Kochan, T. A., & Colvin, A. J. S. (2007). *An introduction to collective bargaining and industrial relations*. (4th ed.). McGraw-Hill Higher Education.
- Padhi, P. K. (2019). *Industrial relations*. (4th ed.). Prentice Hall India.
- Ratnam, C. S. V. (2006). *Industrial relations: text and cases*. Delhi, India: Oxford University Press.
- Sharma, J. P. (2018). *Simplified approach to labour laws*. (5th ed.). Bharat Law House Pvt. Ltd.
- Sinha, P.R.N., Sinha, I. & Priyadarshini, S. (2019). *Industrial relations, trade unions and labour legislations* (3rd ed.). Pearson Education.

Additional Resources:

- Farnham, D., & Pimlott, J. (1990). *Understanding industrial relations*. (4th ed.). London, United Kingdom: Cassell Educational Ltd.
- Salamon, M. (2001). *Industrial relations: theory & practice*. (4th ed.). Pearson Higher Education.