

**Gujarat University**  
**Semester- II**  
**Introduction to Constitution of India**  
**Course Code: 127 - C**  
**For all Undergraduate Programs**  
**(Value Added Course)**  
**(w.e.f 2023-2024)**

**About the course**

This course aims to introduce the constitutional law of India to students from all walks of life and help them understand the constitutional principles as applied and understood in everyday life. The pedagogy is precise and unique, as per week, the lessons shall be in the form of questions instead of being in pure theoretics. Accompanied with light reading and weekly exercises, the objective of making the Constitution of India, familiar to all students, and not only to law students, this course aims and objectifies legal understanding in the simplest of forms.

**Learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, the student will be able to

- Describe historical background of the constitution making and its importance for building a democratic India.
- Explain the functioning of three wings of the government i.e., executive, legislative and judiciary.
- Explain the value of the fundamental rights and duties for becoming good citizen of India.
- Analyse the decentralisation of power between central, state and local selfgovernment.
- Apply the knowledge in strengthening of the constitutional institutions like CAG, Election Commission and UPSC for sustaining democracy.
  
- **Prerequisite: 12<sup>th</sup> Pass**

- **Corequisite:** Learner can join other online certificate and diploma courses for knowledge enhancement.
- **Evaluation Pattern**

<b>Internal</b>	<b>Total Marks</b>
	25
<b>External</b>	25

- **Semester: 2**
- Course Credit: 2
- Course Duration: 40 Hrs.

UNIT I	TOPICS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OVERVIEW AND CONTEXT</li> <li>• ARCHITECTURE OF THE CONSTITUTION</li> <li>• CENTRAL LEGISLATIVE BODY &amp; PROCESS – THE PARLIAMENT</li> <li>• CENTRAL EXECUTIVE</li> <li>• SUPREME COURT</li> <li>• STATE LEGISLATURE</li> <li>• STATE EXECUTIVE</li> <li>• STATE JUDICIARY</li> <li>• UNION TERRITORIES AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING SOME STATES</li> <li>• LEGISLATIVE RELATIONS BETWEEN CENTER AND STATES</li> <li>• FINANCIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN CENTER AND STATES</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ADMINISTRATIVE RELATIONS BETWEEN CENTER AND STATES</li> </ul>
UNIT II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EMERGENCY PROVISIONS</li> <li>• COOPERATIVE FEDERALISM</li> <li>• TRADE, COMMERCE AND INTERCOURSE</li> <li>• OFFICIAL LANGUAGES</li> <li>• FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS – PART I</li> <li>• FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS – PART II</li> <li>• FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS – PART III</li> <li>• RIGHT TO CONSTITUTIONAL REMEDIES – ART. 32</li> <li>• DIRECTIVE PRINCIPLES OF STATE POLICY</li> <li>• FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES</li> <li>• CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS</li> </ul>

**References:**

1. Durga Das Basu, Introduction to the Constitution of India, Prentice – Hall of India Pvt.Ltd.. New Delhi
2. SubashKashyap, Indian Constitution, National Book Trust J.A. Siwach, Dynamics of Indian Government & Politics D.C. Gupta, Indian Government and Politics
3. H.M.Sreevai, Constitutional Law of India, 4th edition in 3 volumes (Universal Law Publication)

4. J.C. Johari, Indian Government and Politics Hans J. Raj Indian Government and Politics

5. M.V. Pylee, Indian Constitution Durga Das Basu, Human Rights in Constitutional Law, Prentice – Hall of India Pvt.Ltd.. New Delhi

6. Noorani, A.G., (South Asia Human Rights Documentation Centre), Challenges to Civil Right), Challenges to Civil Rights Guarantees in India, Oxford University Press 2012