

SEMESTER –II

JMCN-804C

MEDIA LAWS AND ETHICS

Credits=4

Objectives: *To enable students understand with various Media Laws and Ethics governing the media in the Indian context.*

UNIT 1: Introduction to media laws. History of media laws in India. Indian Constitution: Fundamental rights, Reasonable restrictions, Emergency provisions, Amendments, Parliamentary privileges.

UNIT 2: Freedom of media in India. Defamation: Libel and Slander. IPC and Criminal Procedure Code relevant to media, Official Secrets Act. Contempt of Court Act . Media ethics: Ethics Vs. Law. Code of ethics in print media. Code for commercial Advertising in AIR and Doordarshan. Principles of Self-Regulation. Advertisement Standard Council of India's code of ethics. Broadcasting ethics.

UNIT 3: The Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Act. The cable Television networks Act. Broadcasting Services Regulation Bill. Cinematograph Act and board of Censors. Satellite Rights Television and Movies.

UNIT 4: New Media Laws, Intellectual Property Rights. The Copyright Act. Information Technology Act Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act. The Children Act. The Young Persons (Harmful Publications) Act, other regulations and guidelines. Laws related to information Technology and Cyber Laws.

REFERENCE TEXTS

- 1.Pavan Duggal (2013). *Mobile Law & Social Media In India*. Saakshar Law Publications.
2. Durga Doss Basu (2000). *Press Laws*. Central Law Book Agency, New Delhi.
3. Barua,Vidisha (2002). *Press and Media Law Manual*. Universal Law Publishing Co, New Delhi.
4. Neelamalar M (2010). *Media Law and Ethics*. PHI Learning, New Delhi.