

**COURSE-4.3 History (Major-Paper 4)**

**Legal History**

**UNIT-I Early Developments (1600- 1780)**

Charters of the East India Company: 1600, 1661, 1726 and 1753

Settlements: Surat, Madras, Bombay and Calcutta

Establishment of Mayor's Court of 1726

Warren Hastings: Judicial Plans of 1772, 1774 and 1780

**UNIT- II Development of Judicial System:**

Regulating Act, 1773

Establishment of Supreme Court of 1774 and Its Failure.

The Act of Settlement 1781, defects

Landmark Cases: Raja Nanad Kumar, Kamaluddin, Patna Case, and Cossijurah

Pitts India Act, 1784;

Lord Cornwallis: Judicial Plans of 1787, 1790 and 1793

Lord William Bentinck (With special focus on Appraisal of Criminal law)

**UNIT-III Evolution of Law and Legal Institutions:**

Development of Personal Laws

Development of Civil law in Mufassil: Special Emphasis on Justice, Equity and Good Conscience.

Codification of Laws: Charter of 1833, the First Law Commission, the Charter of 1853, the Second Law Commission.

Establishment of High Courts, 1861

Privy Council and Federal Court: Appeals and working of Privy Council, Appraisal of Privy Council, Features of Federal Court.

#### **UNIT-IV Constitutional History**

Government of India Act, 1858.

The Indian Councils Act, 1861.

The Indian Councils Act, 1892.

Government of India Act (Morley- Minto Reforms), 1909.

The Government of India Act 1919.

The Government of India Act, 1935.

Cripps and Cabinet Missions.

#### **UNIT-V Legal Profession and Education**

Early Developments through Mayor's Court, Supreme Court, Company's Adalat, High Court.

Legal Practitioners Act of 1879.

The Chamber and Indian Bar Committee of 1951.

The Advocates Act of 1961: Provisions and Disciplinary powers.

Law Reporting: Theory of Precedents, Features of Law reporting from 1773 to 1950.

Legal Education: History and Basic Aims of Legal Education.

#### **Prescribed Books:**

- 1 V.D. Kulshretha – Landmarks of Indian Legal and Constitutional History.
- 2 M.P. Singh – Outlines of Indian Legal History.
- 3 H.V. Sreenivasamurthy., History for Law students, Vol. II.