B.Ed. Two Year Programme

E.6: Human Rights Education

Maximum Marks: 100

Aim

This course seeks to help students:

- Develop analytical skills to question and appraise Human Rights policies and practices at national and international levels;
- Explore the substantive knowledge of policies concerning Human Rights Education, prevailing trends in the field of Human Rights Education and of the challenges and contributions of critics;
- Perceive improvements, discern ambiguities and identify contradictions in the field of Human Rights Education;
- Understand the roles of various state and non-state agencies in the promotion and enforcement for Human Rights; and
- Identify potential roles for oneself in the promotion of Human Rights Education

UNIT-1 Conceptualizing Human Rights and Human Rights Education

- Introduction to Rights, Human Rights and Human rights Education with reference to Philosophical, Psychological, Political, and Sociological perspective.
- Approaches to Human Rights: western political liberalism, socialism and social welfare principles, cross-cultural rights traditions, and the UN instrument.
- Understanding Human Rights from policy perspective

Unit-2 Emerging Concerns in Human Rights

- Debates in the Human Rights discourse: Universal versus Relativism, Legal versus Ethical demands, Rights versus Human rights, Collective versus Individual rights, West versus Rest
- Methods of Human Rights Research and Human Rights as pedagogy
- Critical review of Democracy with reference to Human rights
- Revisiting of Indian constitution with reference to Human Rights
- Critical review of Human Right in globalized world

Unit-3 School Education and Human Rights Perspective

- Human Rights perspective in curriculum
- Human Rights perspective in teaching-learning Processes
- Human Rights Perspectives in Assessment
- Human Right Perspective and school ethos and culture
- Inclusion and Exclusion

UNIT- 4 Issues, Movements and Promotion of Human Rights

- Understanding Human Rights of Children, Women, Minorities, Dalits, Differently abled and Homosexuals.
- Role of Government, Non-Government Organizations, Education, family and self in promotion of Human Rights.

Practicum

Learner may take any two tasks from the following:

- A case involving violation of human rights
- Human rights in a socio-cultural context
- Short placements with programmes or projects dealing with Human Rights Education
- Review and Critical Analysis of National Policy Documents with reference to Human Rights Perspective
- Awareness Camp to promote Human Rights Education
- Series of Street plays (nukkadnaatak) about Human Rights Education
- Any other task after consolation with teacher

Suggested Readings

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