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LL.M.(HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP) SEM. II

COURSE CONTENT

HRLE-407 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW AND REFUGEE LAW

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Objectives

Birth, survival and development are basic human rights. Humanity does not consider the geographical boundaries as an obstacle in protecting these basic rights. Even after a long journey of civilization and establishment of UNO, the world could not prevent violence and enmity among various countries and communities. This failure is the root cause of problems of refugees.

The present course content is intended to study the historical background of problems of refugees and to examine the national legislative measures, policies and international documents and various institutions involved in it.

I Concepts of Humanitarian Law, Refugee and Armed conflict-

Historical background

Categories of refugees

II International and national policies, Treaties, documents and legislative provisions

UDHR- 1948

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)

1951 Convention relating to the status of Refugees

1967 Protocol on status of Refugees

UN Convention on Prevention and Punishment of Crime of Genocide

UNHCR- Asylum seekers- new Guidelines

Indian Constitution and Rights of Refugees

III Issues/Problems of Refugee -an overall perspective

India's refugee policy and issues

Overview of Refugees Situation in India

National Refugee Law for India: Benefits and Roadblocks

IV Institutions

UN High Commissioner for Refugees

UN Security Council

International Courts of Justice

N.G.Os

V Refugee Law and its benefits

Recommendations

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