

**DR. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR MARATHWADA UNIVERSITY,
CHHATRAPATI SAMBHAJINAGAR.**



Circular / Syll. Sec./ UG/ Curri./ Law / 2025.

It is hereby inform to all concerned that, on the recommendation of Board of Deans; **the Academic Council at it's Meeting held on 21st July, 2025 has been accepted the "Syllabus of Interpretation of Statute & Tenure of LL. B. and B. A. LL. B. Degree Programme and Teaching Mode of Offline for Diploma Courses under the faculty of Humanities as per Guidelines of CBCGS and UGC Norms"** for implemented in the all affiliated law Colleges in this university.

This is effective from the Academic Year 2025-26 and Onwards as per appended herewith.

All concerned are requested to note the contents of this circular and bring notice to the students, teachers and staff for their information and necessary action.

University campus,
Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar-431 004.
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**Deputy Registrar
Syllabus Section**

Date: 02/ 08/ 2025.

Copy forwarded with necessary action to:-

- 1] **The Principal, all concerned affiliated colleges,**
- 2] **The Director, Board of Examinations & Evaluation,**
- 3] **The Director, University Network & Information Centre, UNIC,**
with a request to upload this Circular on University Website,

Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University,
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SYLLABUS MODIFICATION FOR LL. B AND BALL.B DEGREE PROGRAMME

COURSE: INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES

LL. B - IV SEMESTER

BALL.B VIII SEMESTER

COURSE CONTENTS:

UNIT-I Interpretation of Statutes

- Meaning of the term statute, Kinds of statutes
- Commencement, operation, repeal of statutes
- Purpose of interpretation of statutes
- Meaning of construction and interpretation – their difference

UNIT-II Aids to Interpretation

Internal aids

- Titles
- Preamble
- Heading and marginal notes
- Sections and sub- sections
- Punctuation marks
- Illustrative exceptions,
- Provisos and saving clauses
- Schedules
- Non - obstante clause
- Marginal Notes
- Schedule

External aids

- Dictionaries
- Statutes in pari materia
- Contemporanea Exposition
- Debates and Proceedings of the Legislature
- Inquiry commission reports and Law commission reports
- General Clauses Act
- Parliamentary history

UNIT-III

Principles and Rules of Statutory Interpretation

Primary rules & Secondary rules

- Literal rule
- Golden rule
- Mischief rule (rule in the Heydon's case)
- Rule of harmonious construction
- *Noscitur a sociis*
- *Ejusdem generis*
- *Reddendo singula singulis*

UNIT-IV

- Interpretation with reference to the subject matter and purpose
- Restrictive and beneficial construction
- Taxing statutes
- Penal statutes
- Welfare legislations

Unit V Presumptions

- Presumptions regarding jurisdiction,
- Presumptions against ousting established jurisdictions,
- Presumptions against creating new and enlarging established jurisdictions,
- How far statutes affect the crown
- How far statutes conferring rights affect Foreigners,
- Presumption against violation of International Law.
- Presumption against intending what is inconvenient or unreasonable,
- Presumption against intending injustice or absurdity,
- Presumption against impairing obligations,
- Permitting advantage from one's own wrong,
- Retrospective operation of statutes.

UNIT-VI Principles of Constitutional Interpretation

- Doctrine of pith and substance
- Colourable legislation
- Ancillary powers
- Occupied field
- Residuary power
- Doctrine of repugnancy

Unit-VII: Principles of legislation

- Law making process
- Bentham Theory of Legislation
- Rawl's Theory of Justice
- Nozick's Theory of Justice

Books & References:

- 1) Justice G.P. Singh, Principles of Statutory Interpretation, LexisNexis
- 2) K. Shanmukham, N.S. Bindras' Interpretation of Statutes (1997) The Law Book Co. Allahabad.
- 3) Vepa P. Sarathi, Interpretation of Statutes, Eastern Book Company
- 4) M.P. Jain, Constitutional Law of India, (1994) Wadhwa & Co.
- 5) M.P. Singh, V.N. Shukla's Constitution of India (1994) Eastern Lucknow
- 6) Mahesh Prasad Tandon, Interpretation of Statutes and Legislation, Allahabad Law Agency
- 7) Theories of Legislation by Jeremy Bentham, Tripathi Publication
- 8) Prof. T Bhattacharya, The Interpretation of Statutes, Central Law Agency
- 9) Maxwell, Interpretation of Statutes, Butterworths Publications
- 10) Avtar Singh and Harpreet Kaur, Introduction to Interpretation of Statutes, LexisNexis
- 11) B.M. Gandhi, Interpretation of Statutes, Eastern Book Company

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Tenure of LL. B. and B. A. LL.B. Programme
as per recommended by BoD dated on 11.07.2025 and decided by the BoS in
Law dated on 18.06.2025.

***Resolution:**

The maximum duration for the completion of three years LL.B. & five years BA LLB course shall be 5 years and seven years respectively and in an exceptional circumstanced one more years extension may be granted by appropriate university as per the UGC guidelines which was communicated vide letter Ref. D.O. No F-12-1/ 2025 CCPP-II Dated 15th Oct, 2015.

Which means

- For for LL.B course if the student takes the admission in the year 2025-2026 he/ she has to complete the course maximum in the academic year 2029-2030.
- For the BALL.B Course the student who takes admission the academic year 2025 -2026 he/ she has to complete the course maximum by 2031-32.



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15th October, 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

The University Grants Commission has formulated the **Guidelines on Determination of a Uniform Span Period within which a Student may be allowed to Qualify for a Degree** which are available on the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in. You are requested to kindly peruse the same for your esteemed University.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Jaspal S. Sandhu)

The Vice-Chancellors of all the Universities

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(Jaspal S. Sandhu)

UGC Guidelines on Determination of a Uniform Span Period Within which a Student may be allowed to Qualify for a Degree.

The Commission has observed that universities across the country adopt varying span period within which a student may be allowed to complete a programme to be qualified for a degree. In order to evolve a uniform policy, the Commission had constituted an Expert Committee to consider the issue of determining a uniform span period. On the basis of the recommendations made by the Committee, the Commission has formulated following guidelines for compliance of the universities:

1. Normally, the student is expected to complete his programme within the minimum period as laid down under the relevant Regulation of the university which should be in conformity with the UGC Regulations on the award of First Degree and Masters Degree and also in line with the notification, issued from time to time, on Specification of Degrees under Section 22 of UGC Act, 1956.
2. A student who for whatever reasons is not able to complete the programme within the normal period or the minimum duration prescribed for the programme, may be allowed two years period beyond the normal period to clear the backlog to be qualified for the degree. The general formula, therefore should be as follows:
 - a) Time Span = $N+2$ years for the completion of programme.
where N stands for the normal or minimum duration prescribed for completion of the programme.
 - b) In exceptional circumstance a further extension of one more year may be granted. The exceptional circumstances be spelt out clearly by the relevant statutory body concerned of the university.
 - c) During the extended period the student shall be considered as a private candidate and also not be eligible for ranking.
3. Ordinarily, no student should be given time beyond the extended period of two years. However, in exceptional circumstances and on the basis of the merits of each case university may allow a student one more year for completion of the programme.
4. These guidelines are subject to the Rules and Regulations of the statutory bodies and universities governing the grant of degrees.
