

**Subject: Political Science**

**Semester: III**

**Course Title: Legislative Support**

**Credits: 04**

**(SEC)**

**Aim of the Course:** To introduce the student community with legislative processes in India at union and provincial levels : acquaint them with the powers and functions of the legislation: and provide them with the knowledge of elementary skills for understanding legislative functioning.

**Unit-I: Powers and Functions of Peoples Representatives (06 Lectures)**

- a. Powers and Functions of Members of Parliament
- b. Powers and function of state legislative assemblies

**Unit-II Supporting the Legislative Process (06 Lectures)**

- a. Law-making process
- b. Role of standing Committees in reviewing a Bill

**Unit-III Supporting the Legislative Process (06 Lectures)**

- a. Types of Legislative Committees
- b. Role of committees in Reviewing Government Finances and Policy; PAC (Public Accounts Committee)

**Unit-IV: Budget Document (06 Lectures)**

- a. Overview of the Budget Process
- b. Role of Parliament in Budgetary Process and Examination of Demands for Grants

**Suggested Readings**

Madhavan, M.R. & N.Wahi **Financing of Election Campaigns** PRS, Centre for Policy Research, New Delh, 2008:

[http://www.prsindia.org/uploads/media/conference/Campaign\\_finance\\_brief.pdf](http://www.prsindia.org/uploads/media/conference/Campaign_finance_brief.pdf)

Vanka, S. **Primer on MPLADS** Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, 2008. can be accessed on:

<http://www.prsindia.org/parliamenttrack/primers/mplads-487/>

Kalra, H. **Public Engagement with the Legislative Process** PRS, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, 2011. can be accessed on:

<http://www.prsindia.org/administrator/uploads/media/Conference%202011Public%20Engagement%20with%20the%20Legislative%20Process.pdf>

Government of India (Lok Sabha Secretariat) **Parliamentary Procedures (Abstract Series)**, 2009. Can be accessed on: <http://164.100.47.132/LssNew/abstract/index.aspx>

Government of India, (Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs) **Legislation,Parliamentary Procedure**, 2009. Can be accessed on: [http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual\\_English/Chapter/chapter-09.htm](http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual_English/Chapter/chapter-09.htm)

Government of India, (Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs) **Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Procedure**, 2009. Can be accessed on: [http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual\\_English/Chapter/chapter-11.htm](http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual_English/Chapter/chapter-11.htm)