SYLLABUS

306 – Industrial Relations

Objective: The objective of the course is to make student aware of the concept of industrial relations. The course will make them understand the importance of industrial relations for an organization and how these relations provide dynamics to organizations.

UNIT – I

Industrial Relations: Concepts and scope, Historical development, Unilatarist, Pluralist and Marxist perspective of IR. Trade Unionism: role of trade unions, trade union in India, national level federations, Goals and objectives of unions and union leadership, weaknesses in trade unions, trade unions, politics and government. Theories of trade unionism. Cross cultural aspects of union management relations.

UNIT – II

Trade Union Act 1926: An overview. Union recognition; de-unionization strategies. Union Management Relations: conceptual framework, union management perspectives, organizational factors affecting union management relations. Public policies and union management relations, role of state, constitution and labour policies, ILO, Major events and international issues, changes affecting HR/IR perspectives, perspectives in India.

UNIT – III

Industrial Democracy: Concepts and scopes of industrial democracy, Worker's participation: Strategy, practices, behavioral science input/contribution and models. Rationale for participation, Issues in participation, strategies for making participation work and making participation more effective. Methods of industrial relation machinery in India; Statutory and non-statutory methods of industrial dispute resolution; Conciliation, mediation, arbitration and adjudication.

UNIT – IV

Comparative Industrial Relations: Principles of comparative analysis, variables of comparative analysis (culture, values, ideologies, politico-economic structure). Experience of UK, Yugoslavia, West Germany, Scandinavian countries and Japan. Managing Industrial Relations: Regulatory mechanisms, employee discipline, suspension, dismissal and retrenchment, employee grievance handling, Collective bargaining, negotiation skills, industrial conflict resolution. Labour Welfare: Rationale need and requirements.