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Syllabus with effect from the Academic Year 2025-26



Name of Course: B.A. /B.B.A.LL.B (5 Years)	Type of Course : 5 Years Integrated
Year : 2nd Year	Semester : 3rd Semester
Subject Code : ALCUG3EBA01/ALCUG3EBBA1	Subject : Food Safety & Standard Act,2006
W.E.F. : 2026-27	Teaching Hours: 72

Teaching & Examination Scheme:

Credit	Lect	Lab	Tut	Internal Marks		External Marks	Passing Marks	Passing Marks	Total Marks
				T & P	CE	T & P	Internal	External	Passing Marks Int+Ext
4	4	-	1	20	20	60	16/40	24/60	40/100

Lect = Lecture, Tut= Tutorial, Lab= Lab, T- Theory, P = Practical, Theory and Practical Passing%: 40

Course Objectives:	1. To introduce the legal framework governing food safety under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006. (L-1 Remember & L-2 Understand) 2. To develop an understanding of institutional mechanisms such as Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (L-2 Understanding) 3. To analyse regulatory standards relating to food safety, hygiene, and public health (L-4 Analyzing) 4. To examine the role of law in ensuring consumer protection and preventing food adulteration (<i>Analyzing & Evaluating</i>) (L-2 Understand)
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Course Outcome (CO):

Upon completion of the course, student shall be able to

CO-1	Explain key concepts, definitions, and principles under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006
CO-2	Describe the structure, powers, and functions of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India and other regulatory bodies
CO-3	Apply legal provisions relating to licensing, food standards, labelling, and compliance in practical scenarios
CO-4	Analyse legal issues relating to food adulteration, unsafe food, and public health concerns



DETAILED SYLLABUS

Unit	Description	Credits / Hours
1	Introduction & Legal Framework	(1)
1.1	Short Title, Extent and Commencement(Sec. 1)	18 Hours
1.2	Declaration as to expediency of Control by the Union(Sec. 2)	
1.3	Definitions(Sec. 3)	
1.4	Evolution of Food Laws in India	
1.5	Pre-2006 Laws	
1.6	Need for Unified Legislation	
1.7	Objectives & Scope of the Act	
	Practical Approach • MCQ Test • Group Discussion	
2	Institutional Framework and Regulatory Mechanism	(1)
2.1	Establishment of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India(Sec. 4)	18 Hours
2.2	Composition of Food Authority and qualifications for Appointment of its Chairperson and other Members(Sec. 5)	
2.3	Selection Committee for selection of chairperson and Members of Food Authority(Sec. 6)	
2.4	Term of office, salary, allowances and other conditions of service of Chairperson and Members of Food Authority(Sec. 7)	
2.5	Removal of Chairperson and Members of Food Authority(Sec.8)	



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2.6	Officers and other employees of Food Authority(Sec.9)	
2.7	Functions of the Chief Executive Officer(Sec.10)	
2.8	Central Advisory Committee(Sec.11)	
2.9	Functions of Central Advisory Committee(Sec. 12)	
2.10	Scientific Panels(Sec. 13)	
2.11	Scientific Committees(Sec. 14)	
2.12	Procedure for Scientific Committee and Scientific Panel(Sec. 15)	
2.13	Duties and Functions of Food Authority(Sec. 16)	
2.14	Proceedings of Food Authority(Sec. 17)	
•	General Principles of Food Safety	
2.15	General Principles to be followed in administration of Act(Sec. 18)	
2.16	Related Case Laws	
•	Practical Approach • MCQ Test • Group Discussion • PPT Presentation	



3	General Provisions as to Articles of Food	(1)
3.1	Use of food additive or processing aid.(Sec. 19)	18 Hours
3.2	Contaminants, naturally occurring toxic substances, heavy metals, etc.(Sec. 20)	
3.3	Pesticides, veterinary drugs residues, antibiotic residues and microbiological counts.(Sec. 21)	
3.4	Genetically modified foods, organic foods, functional foods, proprietary foods, etc.(Sec. 22)	
3.5	Packaging and labelling of foods.(Sec. 23)	
3.6	Restrictions of advertisement and prohibition as to unfair trade practices.(Sec. 24)	
•	Provisions Relating to Import	
3.7	All imports of Articles of food to be subject to this Act(Sec.25)	
3.8	Special Responsibilities as to Food Safety	
3.9	Responsibilities of the food business operator(Sec. 26)	
3.10	Liability of manufacturers. Packers, wholesalers, distributors and sellers(Sec. 27)	
3.11	Food Recall Procedures(Sec. 28)	
•	Enforcement of the Act	
3.12	Authorities responsible for enforcement of Act(Sec. 29)	
3.13	Commissioner of Food Safety of the State(Sec. 30)	
3.14	Licensing and registration of Food Business(Sec. 31)	
3.15	Improvement Notices(Sec. 32)	
3.16	Prohibition Orders(Sec.33)	
3.17	Emergency Prohibition Notices and Orders(Sec. 34)	
3.18	Notification of Food Poisoning(Sec. 35)	
3.19	Designated Officer(Sec. 36)	
3.20	Food Safety Officer(Sec. 37)	
3.21	Powers of Food Safety Officer(Sec. 38)	
3.22	Liability of Food Safety Officer in certain cases(Sec. 39)	



3.23	Purchaser may have food analysed(Sec. 40)	
3.24	Power of search, seizure, investigation, prosecution and procedure thereof(Sec. 41)	
3.25	Procedure for launching prosecution(Sec. 42)	
•	Analysis of Food	
3.26	Recognition and accreditation of laboratories, research institutions and referral food laboratory(Sec. 43)	
3.27	Recognition of organization or agency for food safety audit(Sec. 44)	
3.28	Food Analysts(Sec. 45)	
3.29	Functions of Food Analysts(Sec. 46)	
3.30	Sampling and Analysis(Sec. 47)	
•	Offences and Penalties	
3.31	General Provisions relating to offences(Sec. 48)	
3.32	General Provisions relating to Penalty(Sec. 49)	
3.33	Penalty for selling food not of the nature or substance or quality demanded(Sec. 50)	
3.34	Penalty for sub-standard Food(Sec. 51)	
3.35	Penalty for misbranded Food(Sec. 52)	
3.36	Penalty for misleading Advertisement(Sec. 53)	
3.37	Penalty for food containing extraneous matter(Sec. 54)	
3.38	Penalty for Failure to comply with the Directions of Food Safety Officer(Sec. 55)	
3.39	Penalty for unhygienic or unsanitary processing or manufacturing of food(Sec. 56)	
3.40	Penalty for possessing adulterant(Sec. 57)	
3.41	Penalty for contraventions for which no specific penalty is provided(Sec. 58)	
3.42	Punishment for unsafe food(Sec. 59)	
3.43	Punishment for interfering with seized items(Sec. 60)	
3.44	Punishment for false information(Sec. 61)	
3.45	Punishment for obstructing or impersonating a Food Safety Officer(Sec. 62)	
3.46	Punishment for carrying out a business without licence(Sec. 63)	



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3.47	Punishment for Subsequent Offences(Sec. 64)	
3.48	Compensation in case of injury or death of consumer(Sec. 65)	
3.49	Offences by Companies(Sec. 66)	
3.50	Penalty for contravention of provisions of this Act in case of import of articles of food to be in addition to penalties provided under any other Act(Sec. 67)	
3.51	Related Case Laws	
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4	Adjudication and Food Safety Appellate Tribunal	(1) 18 Hours
4.1	Adjudication(Sec. 68)	
4.2	Power to compound offences(Sec. 69)	
4.3	Establishment of Food Safety Appellate Tribunal(Sec. 70)	
4.4	Procedures and Powers of Tribunal(Sec. 71)	
4.5	Civil Court not to have Jurisdiction(Sec. 72)	
4.6	Power of court to try cases summarily(Sec. 73)	
4.7	Special courts and Public Prosecutor(Sec. 74)	
4.8	Power to transfer cases to regular courts(Sec. 75)	
4.9	Appeal(Sec. 76)	
4.10	Time Limits for Prosecutions(Sec. 77)	
4.11	Power of court to implead manufacturer, etc.(Sec. 78)	
4.12	Magistrate's Power to impose enhanced punishment(Sec. 79)	
4.13	Defences which may or may not be allowed in prosecution under this Act(Sec. 80)	
•	Finance, Accounts, Audit and Reports	
4.14	Budget of Food Authority(Sec. 81)	
4.15	Finances of the Food Authority(Sec. 82)	
4.16	Accounts and Audit of Food Authority(Sec. 83)	
4.17	Annual Report of Food Authority(Sec. 84)	
4.18	Related Case Laws	



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- Lawmann's Food Safety and Standard's Act, 2006
- Bloomsbury's The Food Safety and Standard's Act, 2006 with Rules & Regulations

Bare Acts:

- The Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 Bare Act, 2023 (Commercial Law Publication)
- Universal's Bare Act on the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (Universal Law Publication: Edition: 2020)
