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**Outline of Optional Course**

**LG 635 Global Governance**

The course will focus on the emerging issues and patterns in Global Governance with a view to understanding its inter-linkages with the processes of globalisation in its multi-faceted dimensions. It will examine the history of the evolution of the regime of Global Governance along with a critical discussion of various conceptual and theoretical approaches to the study of global governance. Having thus underlined the close inter-linkage between global governance and the processes of globalisation, the course will discuss meaning and various conceptual approaches to globalisation and its economic, social, cultural dimensions. The concept of global civil society as a central issue in the inter-linkage between global governance and globalisation will be analysed with the help of patterns and issues arising from global environmental governance regimes. Further, the course will focus on the institutional dimensions of global governance before evaluating the overall impact of these multifarious issues, processes and patterns on the state, sovereignty and democracy.

- **Global Governance**  
Meaning, historical evolution, rationale, causal factors; Issues of transparency, accountability, equity and participation; theoretical approaches to Global Governance.
- **Globalisation: Meaning, Concept, trajectory and approaches**  
World Systems; Underdevelopment and Dependencia; Internationalism, Interdependence, Americanisation, Multilateralism, Integration, Transformationalism and the Sceptics theses and their critiques
- **Globalisation and the Economy**  
The Bretton Woods System and the Washington and post-Washington consensuses, issues concerning openness and trade, integration, global markets, global financial flows; regionalism and regional trading regimes
- **Globalisation: Social and Cultural Dimensions**  
Globalisation and Modernity/ post-modernity, Globalisation, democracy and Global citizenship; homogenisation, polarisation, Creolisation and hybridisation of culture; Alternative forms of ethics and of community
- **Global Civil Society/ Global Social Movements and Global Governance**  
Conceptual and definitional issues, global civil society, democracy and debates about re-constitution of citizenship; 'glocalisation', defence and critique; GSM/ GCS and Global Environmental Governance
- **Institutional Dimensions of Global Governance, Complex Multilateralism**  
WTO, World Bank, IMF, the UN System and Environment Treaties Secretariats
- **Global Governance, Globalisation, State and Sovereignty**  
Nation-states in a globalising world; debates of state sovereignty and autonomy: sovereign state, competition state, security state, normative state and democratic state; new forms of political community; global politics and local impact.