# Shyam Lal College, University of Delhi

## Model Course Handout/Lesson Plan

Course Name:	B.Com. (Prog.):	Semester – VI (CBCS)				
Semester	Course Code	Course Title	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)	Credit (C)
VI	BC 6.2 (c)	CONSUMER PROTECTION	60			06
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Session		2023 - 2024				

#### **Course Objective:**

This paper seeks to familiarize the students with their rights and responsibilities as a consumer, the social framework of consumer rights and legal framework of protecting consumer rights. The student should be able to comprehend the business firms' interface with consumers and the consumer related regulatory and business environment.

#### **Course Learning Outcomes:**

CO1: understand the importance of consumer buying process and to identify the alternatives available to dissatisfied consumers.

CO2: learn how to pursue the consumer rights under consumer protection act 1986.

CO3: understand the procedure of filing a complaint.

CO4: analyse the role of industry regulators in consumer protection.

CO5: comprehend the hearings, enquiry and appeal provisions.

#### **Lesson Plan:**

Unit No	Learning Objective	Lecture No	Topics to be covered
1	Conceptual Framework	1	Introduction, Concept of Consumers – What is consumer
		2	buying behavior?
		3	Types of Buying Behaviour, Consumer Buying Process
		4	Consumer Buying Motives – Internal & External Motives.
		5 & 6	Marketplace, Marketspace, Classification of Markets –
			Traditional and Modern
		7	E-Commerce and its Category, What is Grey Market? Ethics in
			Advertising
		8	When is Advertising Deceptive? Legal Aspects of Advertising,
			Self-Regulation by the Advertising Industry, Agencies Involved
			in Self-Regulation, Need for

		9	Consumer Action, Advertising Dos and Don'ts		
		10	Concept of Price – An Introduction, General Factors Determining Price, MRP		
		11	Advantages, Disadvantages & Criticism against MRP		
		12	Wholesale Price and Retail Price, Key difference between them,		
		13	Taxes in India – Local Taxes, Fair and Reasonable Price		
2	THE CONSUMER	14 &15	An Introduction, Objectives of CPA 1986, Basic Definitions, Needs for Consumer Protection, Rights of Consumers under CPA 1986, Duties of the Consumers.		
	PROTECTION ACT, 1986	16	Introduction to Organizational Setup under CPA, Advisory Bodies,		
		17 & 18	The Adjudicatory Bodies under CPA 1986, Highlights from New CPA 2019		
		19	An Introduction, who can file a Complaint? Grounds of Filing A Complaint, Content of Complaint, Where should the Complaint be Filed?		
		20	Reliefs Available to Consumers, Procedure for Filing the Complaint,		
		21	Jurisdiction of Appeals, Temporary Injunction, Filing a Complaint in Consumer Forum – Advantages and Fee Structure.		
	GRIEVANCE REDRESS	22	Leading Cases: Medical Negligence		
3	MECHANISM UNDER	23	Banking		
	THE CPA, 1986	24	Insurance		
		25	Housing & Real Estate		
		26	Electricity		
		27	Education		
		28	Defective Products		
		29	Unfair Trade Practices.		
		30	Other Leading Cases		
		31 & 32	Telecommunications		
4	Industry Regulators	33	Insurance: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India and Banking		
	and Consumer Complaint Redressal	34	Food Items: Food Safety and Standards Authority of India		
		35	Electricity Supply: Delhi Electricity Regulatory Communication		
	Mechanism	36	Civil Aviation: DGCA		
		37	RERA Act		
5		38	Consumer Movement in India: Evolution of Consumer Movement in India		
		39	Formation of consumer organisations and their role in consumer protection,		
		40	Recent Developments in Consumer Protection in India,		
	Consumerism	41	National Consumer Helpline, Citizen Charter, Product testing.		
		42	Quality and Standardisation: Voluntary and Mandatory standards		
			Role of BIS, Indian Standards Mark (ISI), Hallmarking		
		44	Mandatory BIS Certification – 109 Products, ISO 10000 Series of Quality Standards		

		45	Licensing and Surveillance
			consumer grievance redressal under the BIS Act, 2016;
		47	Ag-mark, Overview ISO.
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	Assessment and	50	Discussion of Previous Year question papers, Case Studies
Project Work	Project Work	51	followed by Assessment and Project Work
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	Unit 1 - 5	53 - 60	Revision

### **Evaluation Scheme:**

No.	Component	Duration	Marks
	Internal Assessment		
	• Quiz		
1	<ul> <li>Class Test</li> </ul>		25
	Attendance		
	<ul> <li>Assignment</li> </ul>		
2	End Semester Examination	3 Hrs.	75