

Syllabus: Competition Law

Unit 1: Introduction

1. Competition Law: Why is it needed?
 - What is competition?
 - Fair and unfair competitive practices
 - Why is Competition Law needed?
 - Nature of Competition Law
2. Evolution of Competition Law
 - Origin: Major developments
 - Development since origin to current times
 - Important statutes

Unit 2: Abuse of Dominant Position

3. Dominant Position
 - What is Dominant Position?
 - Provision(s) regarding it
 - Examples
 - Case laws illustrating it
4. Abuse of Dominant Position
 - What constitutes an Abuse?
 - Malicious economic practices
 - Examples
 - Case laws

Unit 3: Anti-Competitive Agreements

5. Anti-Competitive Agreements: Part 1

- What are Anti-Competitive Agreements?
- Illustrations
- Provision(s) defining it
- Essential elements

6. Anti-Competitive Agreements: Part 2

- Factors determining presence of Appreciable Adverse Effect on Competition (AAEC)
- Types and sub-types of Anti-Competitive Agreements
- Important provisions and case laws

Unit 4: Regulation of Combinations

7. Combination: Meaning and Scope

- Definition of Combination
- Changes in values of assets or turnover
- Amalgamations and mergers

8. Regulation of Combinations

- Need for regulation
- Combinations W.R.T. AAEC
- Relevant provisions

9. Procedure for regulation

- Procedure for regulation
- Relevant provisions
- Case laws

Unit 5: Authorities Under Competition Law

10. Competition Commission of India (CCI)

- Establishment
- Composition
- Powers and functions
- Other relevant information

11. National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT)

- Establishment: From COMPAT to NCLT
- Powers and functions
- Other relevant information

Unit 6: Practical Aspects of Competition Law

12. Inquiry by CCI

- Procedure for inquiry
- Relevant provisions
- Illustrative case laws

13. Investigation by Director General

- Procedure for inquiry
- Relevant provisions
- Illustrative case laws

Unit 7: Case Laws and Recent Developments

14. Important Case Laws

- This module will cover development of case law in India regarding Competition Law. It will track landmark judgements through the course of time.

15. Recent developments

- Recent amendments
- Scope of improvement in Competition Law
- Recommendations from experts and committees
- Emerging trends

Unit 8: Career in Competition Law

16. Career options

- Growing scope of Competition Law
- Opportunities in India
- International opportunities
- Qualities & qualifications required to be a Competition Law practitioner