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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - MCOM ELECTIVE COURSE

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## CONSUMER RIGHTS AND EDUCATION

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### Objectives

- 1. To give the students a clear understanding of the terms Consumers, Consumerism, Consumer
- To give an understanding of the provisions of the Consumer Protection Act
- 3. To know the methods of creating awareness and education
- 4. To familiarize students on various aspects of consumer related Legislations and Organizations
- 5. To make the students aware about the rights and responsibilities of consumers

Unit I Consumer Movement in India- Definition of Consumer- Types of Consumer - Problems ofConsumer - Consumerism- Emerging concepts in consumerism: Green Consumerism, Cyber Consumerism- effects of consumerism.

Unit II Right of Consumers- Responsibilities of Consumers -- unfair trade practices-Caveat emptor and Caveat Venditor- Enforcement of Consumer rights through Public Interest Litigation

Unit III Consumer Protection Act 2019- Main Provisions -Redressal forums -District Level -State Level and National Level -Powers and Functions -Filing of Complaints Procedure Regulatory Authorities and **OMBUDSMAN** 

Unit IV Consumer related Legislations and Organizations: Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954-Standards of Weights and Measures Act, 1976- The Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act 1954 - Consumer pressure groups-voluntary consumer organizations-Consumer Protection Councils -Remedy and Redressal of Grievances

Unit V Consumer awareness and Education in India: Lack of awareness- Lack of access to information-Methods of creating awareness and promotion of Consumer rights and duties- E-Commerce and Consumer Rights- Role of media in consumer education

#### Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this course, the Students will be able to:

- 1. Understand the various terms related to Consumers
- 2. Know the Consumers rights and duties and how to enforce their rights
- 3. gain knowledge of the provisions and procedures under Consumer Protection Act
- 4. familiar with Consumer related Legislations and Organisations
- 5. know the methods of creating awareness and education

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### **DECLARATION**

I hereby declare that the details and information given above are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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