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# Lecture-1



## **Unit -1**

### **Lecture – 1: Meaning and Defination of Jurisprudence**

#### **Introduction: -**

Jurisprudence is the very important subject. It is the main base of the Law. jurisprudence is the study of law. jurisprudence is the study of the theory of law. jurisprudence is as a philosophy and science. The word jurisprudence has been derived from the Latin word “**Jurisprudentia**”, which means “**Knowledge of law**”, **jurisprudence made up of two word “juris” and “prudential ”.**

**The Latin word juris means “Law” and Prudentia means “Knowledge ”.**

There for jurisprudence means “knowledge of law”. Jurisprudence is like a mirror whose shows the provision of the law.

Bentham is known as Father of Jurisprudence. Austin took his work further. Bentham was the first one to analyze what is law. However, Austin stuck to the idea that law is command of sovereign. The structure of English Legal System remained with the formal analysis of law (Expositorial) and never became what it ought to be (Censorial). J. Stone also tried to define Jurisprudence. He said that it is a lawyer’s extraversion. He further said that it is a lawyer’s examination of the percept, ideas and techniques of law in the light derived from present knowledge in disciplines other than the law.

#### **Summary: -**

1. Some important definition. •
2. Nature of jurisprudence •
3. Kinds of jurisprudence •
4. Scope of jurisprudence
5. Importance of jurisprudence •
6. Conclusion

**Definition:-**

**John Austin** :-Jurisprudence is the philosophy of positive law.

**Ulpian** :- Jurisprudence as “the observation of things human and divine ,  
the knowledge of the just and the unjust.

**Cicero** :-jurisprudence is the philosophical aspect of knowledge of law.

**Dr. Allen** :-jurisprudence as the scientific synthesis of the essential principles of law

**Holland** :-jurisprudence as “the formal science of positive law .

**Salmond** :-jurisprudence as the science of the first principles of the civil law.

**Keeton** :- jurisprudence is the study and systematic arrangement of the general principles of law.

**Julius stone** :- jurisprudence is the lawyers extraversion .

**Dharma** under the Hindu Jurisprudence covers the province of religion ,ethics and philosophy. Dharma means which is signified by a command ,and lead to man ‘s material and spiritual salvation .

**Gray** :- Jurisprudence is the science of law ,the statement and systematic arrangement of the rules followed by the courts and the principles involved in those rules .

**Roscoe Pound** :-Jurisprudence is the science of social engineering.

**Dr. M.J. Sethna**

Dr. Sethna has defined jurisprudence as the study of Fundamental Legal principles including philosophical, historical, and sociological basis, and analysis the legal concept. Thus he adopts a synthetic approach to the study jurisprudence for he believes any knowledge is a synthetic whole and cannot be divided into watertight compartments.