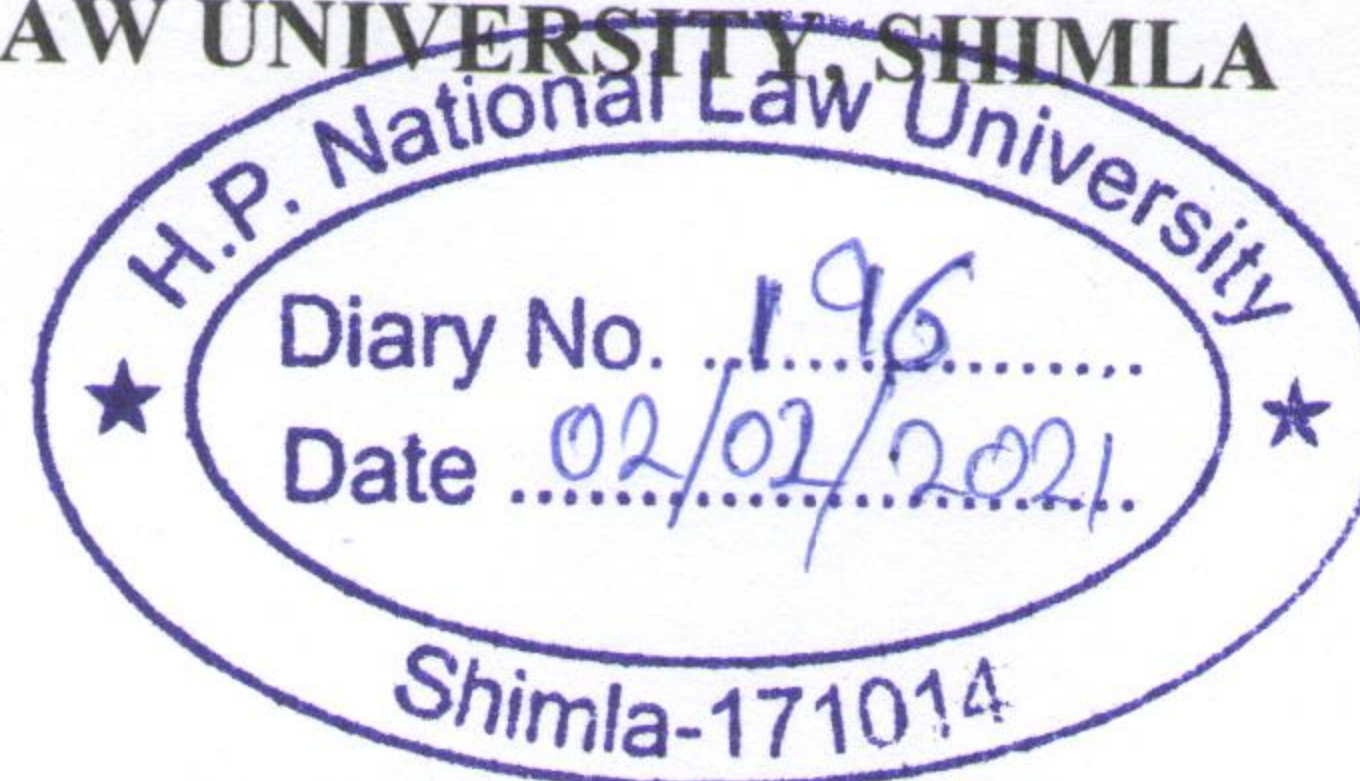




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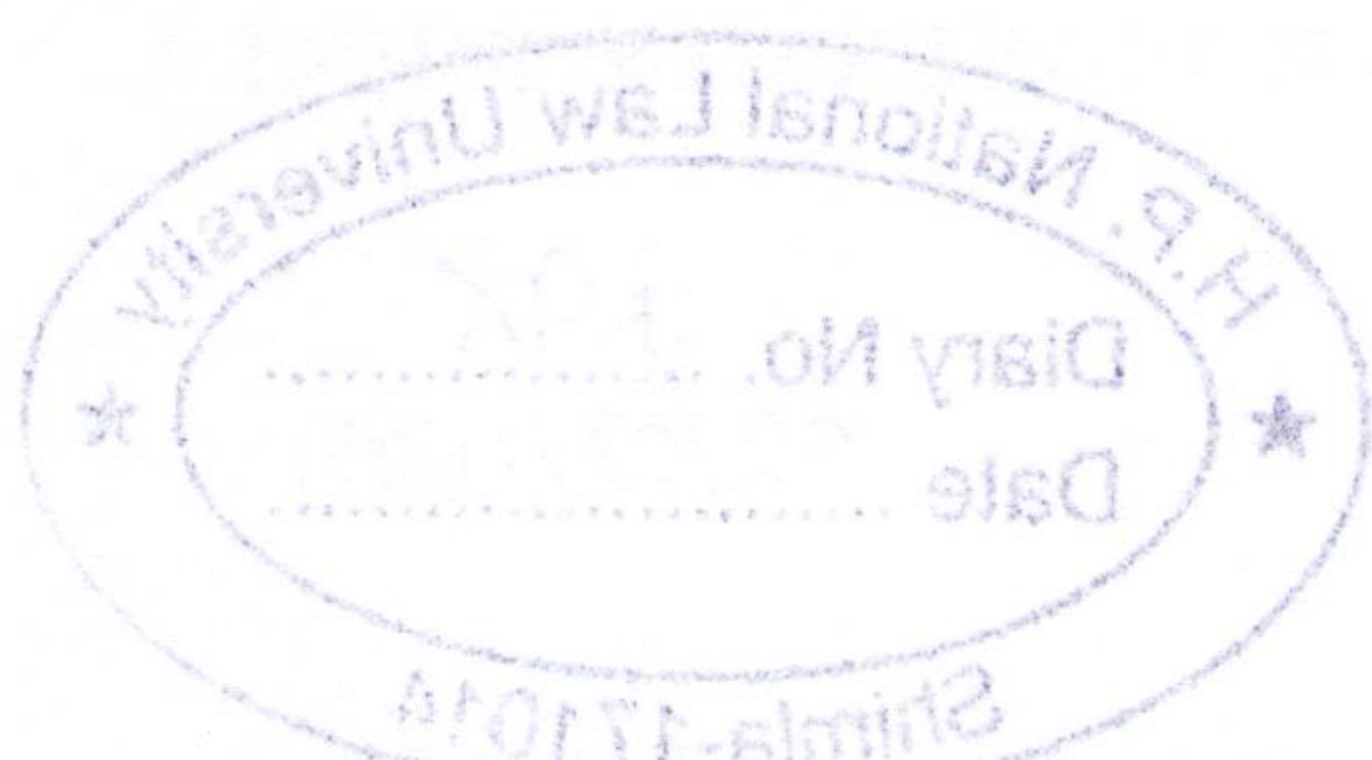
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LEGAL RESEARCH

- 4.1 Meaning of Research and Legal Research, Purpose of Legal Research, Types of Research
- 4.2 Research Design in a Legal Study
- 4.3 Writing Research Report
- 4.4. Mode of citation and Bibliography
- 4.5 Use of Library, electronic Sources and electronic research

Prescribed Books:

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