

Time: 2 ½ hrs

Marks: 75

Note:

1. Please check whether you have got the right question paper
2. Total marks are indicated on the right side of paper.

Q1. Answer Any Six questions in one or two sentences:

[Marks: 12]

- a. The sun rises from the east (change the sentence to passive voice)
- b. "Could you please be quiet," she said. (Change the sentence to indirect speech)
- c. My friend, Sara, looks happy. (Change into comparative degree)
- d. Explain the citation *Vishaka & Ors vs State of Rajasthan & Ors* AIR 1997 SC 3011
- e. Retrospective effect of statute.
- f. What is meant by directory provisions?
- g. Explain the concepts of 'offence' and 'wrong'.
- h. Explain procedural and substantive law.

Q.2. Write short notes on any two

- a) Parts of a statute.
- b) Explain the Literal rule of interpretation of statutes.
- c) Describe the search of case laws on "whether contract by minor is void ab-initio."
- d) Statutes are territorial in operation.

Q.3. Answer any two of the following

- a. 'A' filed a suit against 'B', for recovery of money under section 138 of Negotiable Instruments act 1881, for dishonour of cheque which is a criminal offense 'B' did not appear before the court for three hearings so the matter proceeded ex-parte.
 - i. Explain the term Exparte
 - ii. Which construction should be given to interpret penal legislation?

b) Answer the following questions with respect to the legislative extract given below

THE MEDICAL TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY ACT, 1971
(ACT NO. 34 of 1971)

[10th August, 1971]

An Act to provide for the termination of certain pregnancies by registered medical practitioners and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

BE it enacted by the Parliament in the Twenty-Second Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. Short Title, Extent and Commencement. -

- (1) This Act may be called The Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971.
- (2) It extends to the whole of India ****
- (3) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Identify the following:

- (i) Short Title
- (iii) Long Title

- (ii) Enacting Formula
- (iv) Date of Assent

c) The film industry is facing increasing competition from television shows and content on Over-the-Top (OTT) platforms, which are gaining popularity due to their accessibility and convenience. With the rise of streaming services like Netflix, Amazon Prime, and Disney+, audiences now have the ability to watch movies and TV shows anytime and anywhere, without the need to visit cinemas. This shift has made television and OTT platforms a preferred choice for many viewers, especially as they offer a wide range of content at affordable prices. To remain relevant, cinema is increasingly exploring innovative avenues to capture and retain viewer interest, including the simultaneous release of films on digital platforms and substantial investments in high-quality, immersive digital content that can match or surpass the streaming experience.

Answer the following questions based on the extract given above:

- i. Give an appropriate title for this passage and state what is the main idea / theme of the passage?
- ii. Why is the film industry facing a challenge?
- iii. What has the author observed that the makers of cinemas do, to stay relevant?

d) Amar and Ziva are suspects in relation to a robbery that occurred nearby. The police, during interrogation, believing they have enough evidence, ask Amar and Ziva to confess, stating that it will make things easier if they just admit to the crime. Amar chooses not to answer and remains silent. In light of the maxim "*Nemo tenetur seipsum accusare*:"

- i. Can Amar be compelled to confess or provide information that could be used against him?
- ii. Ziva on her own accord decides to narrate the facts about the robbery in front of the magistrate. Can Amar prevent Ziva from making incriminating statements about him, on the basis of the maxim?

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Q4. Answer Any Three in detail:

1. Explain the External aids to construction.
2. Write an essay on 'Pollution due to Urbanization'
3. Discuss secondary rules of interpretation.
4. Outline the facts, issues, and guidelines given by the Supreme Court in D.K. Basu v. State of West Bengal – AIR 1997 SC 610
5. Discuss the object, purpose and application of the General Clauses Act, 1897. Explain the effect and consequences of repeal.
