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**LL.M(ONE YEAR COURSE)
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MAY - 2026**

**PAPER- II: FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND
DIRECTIVE PRINCIPLES OF
STATE POLICY**

**TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR
MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)**

Note: Section-A is compulsory and each part carries 5 marks.
Attempt one question each from Section B and C each
question carries 15 marks.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. Elucidate social justice and the provisions under the Constitution of India.
- b. Rights to health through judicial interpretations.

Section - B

2. Critically analyse HM Seervai's argument of expunging Directive Principles of State Policy from Indian Constitution with the aid of supporting examples and judicial interpretations for or against the argument.
3. The concept of free and compulsory education necessitates an onerous obligation on the state in substantive realisation of the ideal. Critically analyse the Right to Education and its enabling framework under the Indian legal Landscape.

Section - C

4. Uniformity of rights and not uniformity of laws is the dire need of the hour. Critically analyse the statement in the light of case studies from the North-East and Uttarakhand Civil Code, 2025.
 5. The concept of legal aid ensures substantive and distributive justice. Critically analyse through judicial interpretations.
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**PAPER- II: CRIMINOLOGY, PENOLOGY
AND VICTIMOLOGY**

TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR

MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)

Note: Section-A is **compulsory** and each part carries **5 marks**.
Attempt **one question** each from Section B and C each
question carries **15 marks**.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. Differentiate between sentencing and punishment.
- b. Discuss briefly the major issues revolving around the prison system in India.

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Section - B

2. Explain the different alternatives to punishment in India by also referring to the relevant legal framework. Also discuss the merits and demerits of alternatives to imprisonment.
3. Discuss the justification for punishment. In the Indian context, what factors are kept in mind by the judges while awarding punishment. Substantiate your answer with decided cases.

Section - C

4. Discuss the individual level factors that place people at risk of being crime victims. Also discuss the structural factors and social process factors that place individuals at risk of being crime victims.
 5. What is correctional administration and what are its objectives? In the Indian context, how is correctional administration being pursued for reforming the inmates? Discuss with the help of suitable examples from different jails across India.
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**PAPER- IV: INSOLVENCY AND
BANKRUPTCY**

TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR

MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)

Note: Section-A is compulsory and each part carries 5 marks.

Attempt **one question** each from Section B and C each question carries **15 marks**.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. A Company has gone into liquidation after failure of CIRP. During the process, a secured creditor chooses to realise its security interest outside liquidation, while other creditors object, claiming it will reduce the common pool of assets available for distribution. Discuss the options available to secured creditors during liquidation.
- b. ABC Ltd., XYZ Ltd., and PQR Ltd. are group companies with interlinked finances and guarantees. Separate CIRP proceedings are initiated against them before different NCLT benches. A creditor seeks consolidation of the proceedings. Discuss whether such consolidation is permissible under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, with relevant principles and case laws.

Section - B

2. ABC Ltd. has entered liquidation under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016. During the process, a dispute arises as to what type assets should form part of the liquidation estate. Discuss the concept and scope of liquidation estate and explain the distribution of assets under Section 53 with relevant provisions and case laws.
3. During the liquidation of ABC Ltd., the liquidator sells assets of the corporate debtor and enters into a compromise with a creditor to settle claims. Certain stakeholders object, arguing that such decisions require wider consultation. Discuss the scope of powers of the liquidator under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, and examine whether such actions fall within his statutory authority, with reference to relevant provisions and case laws.

Section - C

4. *ABC Components Pvt. Ltd.*, a small company, defaulted on a loan of Rs. 80 lakhs, and a financial creditor initiated a fast track CIRP. The process was not completed within 90 days. Discuss-

(i) Eligibility for fast track CIRP.

(ii) Time limits and extension provisions.

5. *XYZ Ltd.*, incorporated in India, has assets in India and Singapore. Insolvency proceedings were initiated in India, while a foreign creditor simultaneously commenced proceedings in Singapore. Discuss:

(i) The legal framework governing cross-border insolvency under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

(ii) The role of Sections 234 and 235 of the IBC.

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PAPER- II: CORPORATE FINANCE AND
TAXATION LAW
TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR
MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)**

Note: Section-A is **compulsory** and each part carries **5 marks**.
Attempt **one question** each from Section B and C each
question carries **15 marks**.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. What are Specific Anti Avoidance Rules.
- b. Tax treatment of sum exceeding fifty thousand received in a tax year without consideration.

Section - B

2. Explain the legal provisions relating to bilateral and unilateral double taxation relief under the Income Tax Act, 2025. Explain how the relief is computed in case of unilateral relief.
3. What is a 'business connection in India'? Explain the criteria for determining business connection in India. Refer to judicial decisions.

Section - C

4. Discuss the constitutional conundrum between the laws enacted for the avoidance of double taxation with reference to Article 253 and the General Anti Avoidance Rules under the Income Tax Act, 2025.
 5. What are different types of assessment of tax under the Income Tax Act, 2025? Explain the criteria and procedure for scrutiny assessment.
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PAPER- II: LAW OF CRIME -II
TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR
MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)

Note: Section-A is compulsory and each part carries 5 marks.
Attempt one question each from Section B and C each
question carries 15 marks.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. Trial *in absentia*
- b. Anticipatory bail

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Section - B

2. Critically examine the general framework relating to inquiries and trials under the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023. Also discuss the procedural safeguards incorporated to ensure a fair trial, including principles of open court proceedings, the right to legal representation, protection against bias, examination of witnesses, and the rights of the accused during investigation and trial. Support your answer with the help of judicial decisions.
3. The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) has introduced several significant changes to the law relating to bail in India. Discuss the key reforms brought under the BNSS with respect to grant of bail, including provisions on default bail, and conditions imposed by courts. In this context, critically analyse how these changes interact with established judicial principles governing bail as evolved through case law.

Section - C

4. Death penalty and delays in execution or disposal of mercy petitions have been key concerns for the Criminal Justice System in India. In this light, critically analyse the principles laid down by the Supreme Court in *Shatrughan Chauhan v. Union of India* (2014). Discuss how the Court addressed issues such as delay in disposal of mercy petitions and how the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) has responded to the same.
 5. How the definition of victim has changed from the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 to the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS)? Also examine the informatory, participatory and compensatory rights of the victims under BNSS.
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**PAPER- I: LAW AND JUSTICE IN
GLOBLIZED WORLD
TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR
MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)**

Note: Section-A is **compulsory** and each part carries **5 marks**.
Attempt **one question** each from Section B and C each
question carries **15 marks**.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. Outer Space Global Justice
- b. Digital Fairness Act and Digital Capitalism

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Section - B

2. Critically analyze the successes and limitations of the retributive model of international criminal justice compared to restorative justice approaches in the pursuit of accountability for mass atrocities.
3. How has the evolution of sovereignty from an absolute power to a law-based function redefined the relationship between internal and external authority in the context of human rights and international organizations?

Section - C

4. Explain the dangers of social media surveillance on privacy and democratic freedoms in India and the European Union while assessing whether their respective social media regulation frameworks effectively protect citizens or potentially restrict free speech.
 5. Critically analyze the legal and ethical challenges posed by Autonomous Weapon Systems (AWS) under International Humanitarian Law (IHL), specifically focusing on the principles of distinction and proportionality and the "accountability gap" that arises when lethal decision-making is transferred from humans to machines.
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**PAPER-IV: CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENTS AND JUDICIAL
REVIEW**

TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR

MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)

Note: Section-A is **compulsory** and each part carries **5 marks**.
Attempt **one question** each from Section B and C each
question carries **15 marks**.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. How far do you agree that personal law is also subject to Part III of the Constitution of India?
- b. Discuss how and why Indian courts evolved the writ of 'continuing mandamus'.

Section - B

2. Write a detailed note on the origin and nature of judicial review in US and India. Cite relevant cases.
3. What do you understand by constitutionalism? Do you agree that a country may have a Constitution but not necessarily constitutionalism?

Section - C

4. How far do you agree that independence of judiciary in India is secured by the process of appointment of judges of the Supreme Court of India? Cite case law.
 5. Supreme Court may issue guidelines and norms to fill the vacuum in existing law in order to enforce the fundamental rights. Comment in the light of any one decided case.
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PAPER- V: FAMILY LAW (OPTIONAL)
TIME DURATION: ONE AND HALF HOUR
MAXIMUM MARKS: FORTY (40)**

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Attempt **one question** each from Section B and C each
question carries **15 marks**.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. 'Doctrine of Radd'
- b. A Hindu Female 'Rani' died in the year 2000 in an accident, her son 'Raju' also died simultaneously in the same accident. Rani is survived by her Husband 'Rajesh'. ('Rajesh is serving imprisonment in jail, as he committed the murder of his own brother), her widowed daughter 'Rajni', her unmarried daughter 'Devi', who is a lunatic. Distribute the self-acquired property of Rani as well as property received by her through will amongst her Legal Heirs.

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Section - B

2. 'A' a Hindu dies intestate in 2006, leaving behind his separate property as well as Undivided share in coparcenary property. He is survived by following relations:

- (i) Widow W
- (ii) Two sons S1 and S2.
- (iii) His Daughter D
- (iv) His father 'F'
- (v) One brother 'B' and a sister 'C'.

His daughter 'D. married a Muslim person 'X' in the year 2004 under the Special Marriage Act, 1954 and his son S1 separated and took his share from the coparcenary in 2000. Who all will get a share in A's separate, as well as coparcenary property under HSA, 1956?

3. Discuss the Character of Property in the following cases:

- i) Property received on Partition.
- ii) Government Grants.
- iii) Property thrown into the Common Stock and Blended.
- iv) Recovered Joint family Property.
- v) Property inherited from Maternal Grandfather.

Section - C

4. A Muslim male died leaving behind property worth Rs 75,000. He made a Wasiyat of Rs 25,000 in favour of 'A', 50,000 in favour of 'B' and Rs 75,000 in favour of 'C' in the same Wasiyat. Elaborate upon the essential conditions of Wasiyat under Muslim Law and distribute the shares in accordance with the Sunni and Shia law of Wasiyat.
5. Explain the concept and essential requisites of a Muslim marriage. Also examine the legal position of *Nikah Halala* under Muslim Law.
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PAPER- V: MEDIA LAW
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Note: Section-A is **compulsory** and each part carries **5 marks**.
Attempt **one question** each from Section B and C each
question carries **15 marks**.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. What is 'concentric circles' test for defining 'Public Order'?
- b. A user posts defamatory content on a social media platform and despite receipt of notice, the intermediary does not remove the content. Discuss briefly the liability of the Intermediary under the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.

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Section - B

2. Many movies in India have been subject to pre-censorship by the Central Board for Film Certification. Discuss in the light of recent actions of CBFC. Whether pre-censorship of movies is constitutionally valid? Critically examine the law relating to censorship in India under the Cinematograph Act. Refer to appropriate judicial decisions.
3. Critically analyse the law relating to criminal contempt and freedom of media referring to relevant judicial pronouncements.

Section - C

4. A news platform publishes unverified allegations of corruption against a public figure, which are amplified by TV debates declaring the person guilty before trial. The individual claims violation of reputation and fair trial rights, while the channel invokes freedom of speech. Discuss the legal issues involved, focusing on media trial, free speech, and channel liability under Indian law.
5. A national newspaper publishes a story based on unverified sources, alleging misconduct by a Doctor. The report leads to public outrage and reputational harm, but later turns out to be inaccurate. The affected individual files a complaint before the Press Council of India alleging unethical journalism and violation of journalistic standards. Discuss the powers and limitations of the Press Council of India in addressing such grievances. Support your answer with relevant provisions and case laws.

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**PAPER- V: PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW
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Attempt one question each from Section B and C each
question carries 15 marks.

Section - A

1. Compulsory

Write short note on the following:

- a. Discuss the origin, nature and definition of International Humanitarian Law.
- b. What are the emerging challenges in implementation of International Humanitarian Law?

Section - B

2. While describing the domain of International Human Rights Law and International Humanitarian Law, explain the relation between them. Also, highlight the provisions under Constitution of India, 1950 that resonates with the principles of International Humanitarian Law.
3. Amelio, is a group that is protesting against its own government in Spain to challenge its climate-change policy. To make their concern loud and clear to the respective government, they have obstructed the national highway. As a result, the daily commutation and other public utility services are hampered. First, government tried to intervene peacefully by insisting them to vacate the national highway but, even after repeated attempt their instructions were not followed. As a result, the government used necessary force and this aggravated the situation. Due to tense situation, both the parties started using force disproportionately and they are using all the arms, ammunitions available with them to repel the attack. In light of this situation, identify the nature of armed conflict that will be applicable and basic principles applicable in such armed conflict.

Section - C

4. In a war between State A and State B, some of the civilians who were working as cook with the army of State B were captured by State A. As a result, they were imprisoned and trials were initiated against them in the domestic court of State A. Discuss the legal status of those individuals, legal principles applicable in such situation and rights available to them under Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocols?
 5. (a) What are the principles that governs the regulation of means and methods of Warfare in an armed conflict within International Humanitarian law? - (10)
 - (b) What is to be construed by the term "Commander Responsibility" in context of Armed Conflict? - (5)
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