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ELECTIVE - JM800401 - MEDIA LAWS AND ETHICS

2019 Admission Onwards

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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

*Answer any **eight** questions.*

Weight 1 each.

1. Explain Prohibition against self-incrimination or testimonial compulsion.
2. Define Indian Express Newspapers Vs Union of India case.
3. Write a note on 'Mandamus'.
4. Describe First Press Regulations Act, 1799.
5. Briefly explain Wage Board in Working Journalists and other Newspaper Employees Provisions Act.
6. Give a note on "Advertising code" as per Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act. 1995.
7. Explain Cyber Laws.
8. Explain the types of Cyber Crimes.
9. Explain Criminal Contempt of Court.
10. Explain the term 'Geographical Indications of Goods'.

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

*Answer any **six** questions.*

Weight 2 each.

11. Examine the 'secular character' of Indian Constitution as a salient feature.
12. Explain the Diplomatic powers of President.





13. Evaluate the lowest Court in Criminal Justice. Explain its functions and powers.
14. Brief the exceptions to 'Defamation'.
15. Give a brief note on the salient features of 'Press Council Act. 1978'.
16. Explain the Accreditation process of journalists.
17. Summarize the objectives and features of Cinematograph Act. 1952.
18. Cumulative over emphasis on sex, crime, violence and brutality would not be permitted in Advertising – Explain it.

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Weight 5 each.

19. Discuss the Freedom of Press as a Fundamental right.
20. Explain how long is anticipatory bail is valid.
21. Briefly explain about digital signatures.
22. Journalists should be honest, fair and courageous in gathering and interpreting information. Explain it.

(2×5=10 weightage)

