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Sixth Semester B.A. LL.B./B.Com. LL.B/B.B.A. LL.B (Five year integrated)
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**Paper II : INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES AND PRINCIPLES OF
LEGISLATION**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – A

Answer any five of the following not exceeding 50 words. Each question carries
2 mark.

1. Hedonism
2. Bonam partem
3. *Reddendo singular singulis*
4. *Stare decisis*
5. *Noscitur a sociis*
6. Proviso
7. Equitable construction
8. Causa omissus.

(5 × 2 = 10 Marks)

PART – B

Answer any **four** of the following not exceeding 120 words. Each question carries **4** marks.

9. Examine the external aids of interpretation
10. Distinguish between remedial statutes and penal statutes.
11. "The words shall be given their natural, plain and grammatical meaning".
Comment.
12. Explain the doctrine of colourable legislation.
13. Explain the rules for construction of Penal statutes.
14. Explain the legal presumptions of interpretation.

(4 × 4 = 16 Marks)

PART – C

Answer any **four** of the following Each question carries **6** marks.

15. As per section 77(1) of the Road Traffic Act, 1960, "a driver causing accident shall stop after the accident". A driver of the motor vehicle stopped for a moment after causing an accident and then ran away. Decide.
16. The petitioner, an editor of a newspaper, was asked to show cause as to why should he not be punished for a breach or privilege of the house guaranteed by Article 194 (3) of the Constitution for publishing a speech made in the state Legislative Assembly without expunging certain remarks as directed by the Speaker. In a petition under Article 32 of the Constitution, he argued that the proposed action against him would be contrary to the freedom of speech and expression guaranteed by Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution. Decide.

17. An industrial tribunal awarded more number of paid leaves to the workers than what Section 79(1) of factories Act recommended. This was challenged. Decide.
18. A man owned a shop and had a flick knife on display in the shop window. He was charged for offering for sale offensive weapons. Decide.
19. A pre constitutional law was struck down on the ground of violation of fundamental rights. Subsequent amendment made power to the legislature to make such a law. State the validity of the pre-constitutional law earlier struck down by the court.

(4 × 6 = 24 Marks)

PART – D

Answer any **three** of the following. **Each** question carries **10** marks.

20. Examine the Golden rule of interpretation with its limitations.
21. Explain in detail the general rules of construction available under the General Clauses Act, 1897.
22. Explain how and when Mischief rule is applied in interpretation of statutes.
23. Explain the qualities of a good draftsman with the help of Montesquieu rules on legislative drafting.

(3 × 10 = 30 Marks)

