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Second Semester LL.M. Degree Examination, July 2026

Constitutional Law

Paper I : CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES

(2021 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

Instructions: Answer **all** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Examine and elaborate on the concept of sovereignty. Also touch upon the distinction between legal and political sovereignty.

OR

2. Distinguish between and elaborate on Austin's and Laski's views on sovereignty.
3. What is constitutionalism? Examine and elaborate on the essential principles of constitutionalism.

OR

4. "The framing of India's constitution was a critical event in the global history of both constitution-making and democracy. Conventionally it has been analysed as a founding moment. Its success against multiple odds has been explained as resulting from a vision and consensus among the elite over what would become a pedagogical text for an 'ignorant' and undemocratic public. Discuss.

5. Examine and elaborate on the concept of rule of law. Also draw the connect between rule of law and constitutionalism.

OR

6. Elaborate on the powers of eminent domain and taxation of the government in the backdrop of due process, rule of law and constitutionalism.

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7. How important a constitutional tool is affirmative action in ensuring equality rights? Touch upon the impact of privatization on affirmative action in the Indian scenario.

OR

8. "The complex role of the Supreme Court in this system derives from its authority to invalidate legislation or executive actions which, in the Court's considered judgment, conflict with the Constitution. This power of "judicial review" has given the Court a crucial responsibility in assuring individual rights, as well as in maintaining a "living Constitution" whose broad provisions are continually applied to complicated new situations". Elaborate.
9. Examine the need and scope of reviewing the Indian Constitution. Touch upon recent controversies and litigations mandating review of various provisions of the Constitution by the constitutional courts.

OR

10. Examine and elaborate on human rights and their violations as a global perspective with a deep impact on the Indian system.

(5 × 12 = 60 Marks)