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**Sixth Semester B.A. LL.B./B.Com. LL.B./B.B.A. LL.B. (Five Year Integrated)
Degree Examination, November 2024**

INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES AND PRINCIPLES OF LEGISLATION

(2020 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – I

1. Answer any **six** of the following. Each question carries **2** marks. Answer should not exceed **50** words.

1. What are saving clauses?
2. What is literary rule of interpretation?
3. Distinguish between morals and legislation.
4. What is principle of utility?
5. What are delegated legislations?
6. What do you mean by restrictive construction?
7. What is repeal of statutes?
8. What is golden rule of interpretation?

(6 × 2 = 12 Marks)

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PART – II

- II. Answer any **four** of the following. Each question carries **5** marks. Answer should not exceed **150** words.
1. Distinguish between doctrines of occupied filed and repugnancy.
 2. Briefly examine the principles relating to retrospective operation of statutes.
 3. How relevant is the preamble to interpret the Constitution of India?
 4. Examine and explain the importance of non-obstante clauses?
 5. Describe the “Rule of Reasonable Construction” under the Interpretation of Statutes’.
 6. What is Ejusdem Generis rule?

(4 × 5 = 20 Marks)

PART – III

- III. Answer any **four** of the following. Each question carries **6** marks.
1. In a statute, a provision uses the words such as ‘oxen, bulls, goat, cows, buffaloes, horses, etc.’ In a particular case, a party pleads before the court that the word ‘etc.’ includes wild animals like lion and tiger and all the domestic animals. Decide on the basis of the relevant rule.
 2. The location of a bus stand was changed by the Regional Transport Authority. An application could be moved within 30 days of receipt of order of Regional Transport Authority according to section 64 A of the Motor vehicles Act, 1939. The application was moved after 30 days on the contention that statute must be read as “30 days from the knowledge of the order”. Decide.
 3. The facts of a case are; a son murdered his mother and committed suicide. The courts were required to rule on who then inherited the estate, the mother’s family, or the son’s descendants. Decide.

4. In a matter before the Supreme Court, an issue related to the interpretation of a Constitutional provision arose. The Bench referred and interpreted the matter in light of the Constituent Assembly debates. This was objected to, by one of the parties in the matter. Decide on the merits of such interpretation.
5. The prostitutes were soliciting in the streets of London and it was creating a huge problem in London. This was causing a great problem in maintaining law and order. To prevent this problem, Street Offences Act. 1959 was enacted. After the enactment of this act, the prostitutes started soliciting from windows and balconies. Further, the prostitutes who were carrying on to solicit from the streets and balconies were charged under *section 1(1)* of the said Act. But the prostitutes pleaded that they were not soliciting from the streets. Decide.

(4 × 6 = 24 Marks)

PART – IV

IV. Answer any **two** of the following. Each question carries **12** marks.

1. Elaborate on the external and internal aids to construction of statutes.
2. Elaborate on the interpretation of penal and taxing statutes.
3. Elaborate on the various rules of interpretation of statutes.

(2 × 12 = 24 Marks)