

2023

ENGLISH - I

First Paper

Full Marks : 80

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as far as practicable.*

Group - A

1. Explain with reference to context **any three** of the following : 5×3
- (a) Did he ever give you reason to suspect his honesty?
 - (b) Stared at me. It wasn't nice.
 - (c) Do you mean the woman said that?
 - (d) Divested of the romantic glamour which my friend is casting over the case, is this anything but an ordinary forgery?
 - (e) She is a married woman, and the fact is patent that you committed this crime with the view of furthering an immoral design.
 - (f) It was the day we were to have started.
2. Answer **any one** of the following : 10×1
- (a) How does the Duke try to reason with Shylock at the beginning of Act IV, Scene I of *The Merchant of Venice*? How does Shylock respond? Answer in detail.
 - (b) Write a detailed note on the "Mercy Speech" delivered in the court of Venice.
 - (c) What is dramatic irony? Highlight one incident of dramatic irony in Act IV, Scene I of *The Merchant of Venice* and explain it in detail.
3. Explain with reference to context **any one** of the following : 5×1
- (a) You taught me first to beg, and now me thinks you teach me how a beggar should be answered.
 - (b) He presently become a Christian.
 - (c) Thou almost mak'st me waver in my faith,
To hold opinion with Pythagoras.

Group - B

4. Answer **any five** of the following : 2×5
- (a) According to C.E.M. Joad, from which countries can one get oranges and tea?
 - (b) According to C.E.M. Joad, what does law protect a person from?

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- (c) What can the League of Nations prevent?
- (d) To which country did King Amanullah belong? For what purpose did he visit London?
- (e) Mention any one category of people for whom G. B. Shaw may have written *Spoken English and Broken English*.
- (f) What is the meaning of "Poet Laureate"?
- (g) What do you know about Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson?
- (h) What is the nationality of G. B. Shaw as revealed in *Spoken English and Broken English*?

Group - C

5. Read the given passage and answer the questions which follow : 4×5

Terracotta warriors of Xian district in China are one of the most significant archaeological excavations of the twentieth century. It is believed that Qin Shihuangdi (221-207 BC), considered the first emperor of China, ordered the creation of around 7000 life-size clay soldiers in 201 B.C. to guard his tomb for eternity. The emperor is believed to have unified China during his reign.

The sculptures were discovered by a group of farmers in 1974 in the Shaanxi province. While digging a well, the workers found three pits filled with the life-like figures, which were made of a type of terracotta clay. Experts say that long ago, Emperor Shihuangdi ordered the creation of the clay army, along with a 20 square mile tomb to house it. Apart from life-size statues of soldiers and horses, weapons like swords, spears, battle-axes, shields, crossbows and arrowheads were found. The arrowheads, remarkably, were sharp, coated with Chromium Oxide which made them resistant to rust and corrosion even after being buried for more than 2000 years. Shen Maosheng, from the Qin Shihuangdi Terracotta Warriors and Horses Museum, said that archaeologists had located another 11 warriors but had not yet begun to excavate them.

- (a) What is extraordinary about the arrowheads?
- (b) What order was issued by Qin Shihuangdi in 201 B.C.?
- (c) What information has been communicated by Shen Maosheng?
- (d) What happened in the Shaanxi Province in 1974?
- (e) Write a note on the *weaponry* discovered in the excavation.

Group - D

6. Write an essay on *any one* of the following topics : 20×1

- (a) Literature and Law
 - (b) Should English studies be Excluded from Law Syllabi?
 - (c) Integrity and the Legal profession.
 - (d) Should Lawyers become politicians?
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POLITICAL SCIENCE - I

Second Paper

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Answer *any five* questions.

1. (a) Discuss the nature of Political Science. Is it a science?
(b) Write down the subject-matter of Political Science. 8+8
2. (a) Discuss the traditional approaches to the study of Political Science.
(b) Write down different criticisms levelled against this approach. 10+6
3. (a) Define State.
(b) Discuss the essential elements of the state.
(c) Differentiate between the state and the government. 4+6+6
4. (a) Discuss the Force theory regarding the origin of the state.
(b) What are the criticisms levelled against this theory? 10+6
5. (a) Discuss the Historical or the Evolutionary theory regarding the origin of the state.
(b) Explain the limitations of this theory. 10+6
6. (a) Write down the Pluralistic theory of sovereignty.
(b) Distinguish between De-Jure and De-Facto Sovereignty. 8+8
7. (a) Write down the meaning of 'Rights'.
(b) Discuss the Marxist theory of rights. 4+12
8. (a) Discuss, in detail, different kinds of rights.
(b) 'Rights imply duties'. – Explain. 10+6
9. (a) Write down the meaning and nature of liberty.
(b) Discuss the different kinds of liberty. 6+10

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10. Write short notes on *any two* of the following :

- (a) Essential attributes of sovereignty.
 - (b) Patriarchal theory of the origin of the state
 - (c) State and association
 - (d) Attributes of sovereignty.
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SOCIOLOGY - I

Third Paper

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Answer *any five* questions.

1. (a) Who is regarded as the 'Father of Sociology' and why?
(b) Can sociology be regarded as a science of society?
(c) How sociology as a discipline can be helpful in developing a law abiding society? Illustrate your answer with Present day examples. 3+3+10
2. (a) What is social stratification?
(b) What is the main basis of social stratification?
(c) Why social stratification is an inevitable for a society? 4+4+8
3. Discuss the role of education as an important Social Institution. 16
4. How does Socialisation shape a person's life? Comment with examples. 16
5. (a) What is Social group?
(b) Distinguish between primary and secondary group.
(c) State any five characteristics of Social group.
(d) Briefly explain the various forms of social group. 2+4+5+5
6. (a) Define social control with its types.
(b) Discuss various formal and informal agencies of Social Control. 6+10
7. (a) Define social change.
(b) Explain the Marxist theory of social change.
(c) What do you mean by 'Cultural Lag'? 5+6+5
8. What is social process? Do you think that conflict, competition and co-operation are all interdependent? 6+10

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9. (a) What are the basic forms of marriage? 8+8
(b) Discuss the importance of marriage as a Social Institution.
10. Write short notes on *any two* of the following : 8×2
(a) Caste and Class
(b) Norms and Values
(c) Accomodation
(d) Assimilation
(e) Social Status and Social roles.
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GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF CONTRACT

Fourth Paper

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Answer *any five* questions.

1. Write in brief on :
 - (a) Essentials of offer.
 - (b) Essentials of acceptance. 8+8
 2. Write a note on 'privity of contract and exceptions to the rule' with the help of statutory provisions and case laws. 16
 3. Discuss :
 - (a) Nature of minor's agreement with the help of statutory provisions and case laws.
 - (b) Doctrine of Restitution. 10+6
 4. (a) Discuss 'coercion' with the help of statutory provisions and case laws.
(b) Discuss 'fraud' with the help of statutory provisions and case laws. 8+8
 5. "Consent obtained by mistake is also not free consent." Explain mistake. 16
 6. Explain legality of object and consideration with the help of Section 23 of the Indian Contract Act, 1872 along with citing of relevant case laws. 16
 7. Write a note on contingent contract citing provisions and case laws. 16
 8. Write on :
 - (a) Joint promissors and the nature of their liability.
 - (b) Effect of failure to perform the contract in time. 10+6
 9. Write a note on 'discharge by impossibility of performance'. 16
 10. (a) Elucidate on 'Standard Form Contracts'.
(b) Elucidate on 'of certain relations resembling those created by contract'. 8+8
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FAMILY LAW - I

Fifth Paper

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Answer *any five* questions.

1. (a) Who are Hindus?
(b) Whether the child will be Hindu in the following cases? – Give reasons for your answer.
 - (i) A child is born of a Sikh father and a Hindu mother.
 - (ii) A child is born of a Hindu mother and a Muslim father.
 - (iii) A child is born of Hindu parents. The child is brought up as Hindu. Subsequently mother converts to Islam.(c) Is Hindu Law a 'Lex loci'? — Explain. 6+(2×3)+4
2. What are the various sources of Hindu Law? Discuss in detail. 16
3. (a) What are the conditions of a valid Hindu marriage?
(b) Define Full Blood, Half Blood and Uterine Blood. 7+(3×3)
4. (a) The nature of Hindu marriage whether a sacrament or a contract? — Give reasons for your answer.
(b) What is the difference between void and voidable marriages under Hindu Law? 8+8
5. (a) What are the grounds for 'Divorce' under the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955?
(b) Write a short note on 'Divorce by Mutual consent'. 10+6
6. (a) What are the conditions of a valid adoption under the Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act, 1956?
(b) What are the effects of adoption?
(c) Can a step father or an adoptive mother give a child in adoption? 10+4+2

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7. (a) Can an adoption be cancelled?
- (b) Solve the following problems :
- (i) 'X', a male Hindu has three wives namely 'Y₁', 'Y₂', and 'Y₃'. 'X' adopts a son with the consent of 'Y₁' and 'Y₃'. But 'Y₂' does not give her consent. Is the adoption valid?
- (ii) A widow adopts a child and gets married subsequently. What will be the relationship between the child and the father?
- (iii) 'X', a male Hindu aged about 35 years, wants to adopt a girl child of 15 years. Can 'X' take the child in adoption?
- (iv) 'F', a female Hindu wants to adopt 'D', a married girl. Can 'F' adopt 'D'? 4+(3×4)
8. (a) Discuss the procedure relating to solemnization of marriage under the special Marriage Act, 1954.
- (b) Write a short note on 'Marriage Certificate'. 10+6
9. (a) Discuss the general rule of succession in case of the property of a female Hindu dying intestate according to the Hindu Succession Act, 1956.
- (b) What do you mean by the term 'agnate' and 'cognate'? 10+6
10. Write short notes on *any four* of the following : 4×4
- (a) Marriage officer
- (b) Sapinda Relationship
- (c) Degrees of Prohibited Relationship
- (d) Rights of the child in the womb
- (e) Presumption in cases of simultaneous deaths.
- (f) Disqualifications from Inheritance under Hindu Law.