

**Semester: III** 

Max. Marks: 100

**Course Code: HRES2013** 

## UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM AND ENERGY STUDIES End Semester Examination, December 2024

Course: LABOR LEGISLATIONS Programme: Intt. BBA MBA/ BBA(HRM)

Time: 03 hrs.

**Instructions: All sections are compulsory.** 

S. No.		Marks	CO
Q-1	Indian Labor Laws are inclusive, and apply to almost every class of working class in India	2	CO1
Q-2	In order to claim maternity, benefit a female employee must have completed one year of continuous service, and must have actually worked in the establishment for a minimum number of 180 days in the preceding calendar year	2	CO1
Q-3	As per labor laws, Basic wages must be more than 75% of the total compensation package.	2	CO1
Q-4	In case of an accident leading to injury, a worker is not entitled to compensation in case of self-inflicted injury, in every case	2	CO1
Q-5	Compensation to the worker is paid as a relief to suffering and pain the worker has suffered due to injury.	2	CO1
Q-6	Bonus is workers share in profit of the business. Therefore if there is no profit, there will be no bonus.	2	CO1
Q-7	In case of a fixed term employment, gratuity will be paid even if the worker has not completed five years of continuous employment	2	CO1
Q-8	Minimum wages are paid to worker, so that the worker and his family do not die of starvation	2	CO1
Q-9	An establishment provides library and educational facilities to its employees. This is a social security mechanism.		CO1
Q-10	Provident fund is applicable to employees of an establishment, if minimum 50 workers are employed by the establishment.	2	CO1
	SECTION – B		
	4 x 5 Marks		
Q-11	Describe the concept of social security. What are the provisions in Indian Labor Law Regime to provide for social security to the employees? Discuss each provision in brief.	5	CO2

Q-14   Discuss the concept of notional extension of employees' premises, giving suitable and relevant practical examples   SECTION-C (3 x 10 = 30 marks)	Q-12 Q-13	What is minimum wage? What are the criteria for fixing minimum wages? What would happen if an establishment said its business would be financially unviable if they pay minimum wages? Discuss  What are the duties of an employee? What happens when the employee does not perform his/ her duties?					5	CO2
Q-15   An employee with monthly wages of Rs. 25,000/- per month has worked for given number of hours in a week:    Day	Q-14	Discuss the concept of notional extension of employees' premises, giving suitable				ng suitable	5	CO2
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	Q-17	Worker Shyam Lal suffered an accident on 23 April 2024. He suffered a fracture in the right leg, due to which the RMP advised him complete bed rest for 4 months i.e					10	CO3

till 23 August 2024. The doctor says he will be certainly able to join the company after 4 months. His monthly wages are:

Basic – 26,000 DA – 40% of basic HRA – 20% of basic.

What compensation the worker would get, and when?

## SECTION-D $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ marks})$

## Case Study: Challenges in Implementing Maternity Benefit Law in India Background:

Sneha, an HR manager at Stellar Textiles Ltd., a mid-sized garment manufacturing company in Delhi, was facing a challenging situation. The company employed about 300 workers, of which 150 were women. Recently, an employee, Priya, had applied for maternity leave under the Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act, 2017, which entitles women to 26 weeks of paid leave. While Priya was legally eligible for this benefit, Sneha faced pressure from the management, which viewed the extended leave as a financial burden, especially during a peak production season.

In addition, the factory relied on lean staffing to remain competitive. The management was concerned that offering extended leave might disrupt production schedules, increase overtime costs for other employees, and impact overall productivity. Although some temporary hiring could bridge the gap, training temporary workers in a specialized field like garment manufacturing added further complications and costs. To address these concerns, the management suggested that Sneha counsel Priya to either reduce her leave period or take unpaid leave after a few months. Sneha was aware that encouraging Priya to take less than the legally mandated leave could open the company up to legal and ethical risks, including potential claims of discrimination. Furthermore, word of such a policy might demoralize other female employees and lead to negative publicity.

**Dilemma:** Sneha now faced a critical decision. Balancing legal compliance, employee welfare, and operational efficiency seemed increasingly difficult, especially given the financial and production pressures from her superiors. Ignoring the management's concerns could affect her own position, but compromising Priya's rights risked legal consequences and could damage the company's reputation. Sneha needed a strategy that addressed both the company's operational needs and Priya's legal rights.

## **Ouestions:**

How should Sneha navigate this situation to ensure compliance with the Maternity Benefit Act while addressing the management's operational concerns? Suggest a feasible solution that balances both perspectives.

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Q-18

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Q-19	What policies could Stellar Textiles implement to support the Maternity Benefit Act requirements sustainably, without disrupting productivity during future maternity	CO4
	leave cases?	