

UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM & ENERGY STUDIES

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Semester – III

Subject: Constitutional Law - I Max. Marks : 100 : 3 Hrs Duration

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Section A (10 Marks) (Attempt Any Four- 2.5 Marks Each)

Short Answer type

- **Q.** 1 What do you mean by writ of *mandamus*?
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- Q. 11 Explain the concept of minorities under the Article 30 of Constitution of India? What is the extent of rights of minorities to administer their educational institutions? (10 Marks)
- Q. 12 The Indian Constitution has been founded on the bedrock of the balance between Part III & IV. To give absolute primacy to one over the other is to disturb the harmony of the Constitution. This Harmony and balance between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles is an essential feature of the Indian Constitution. Explain with the help of leading cases that how in pursuance of the above mentioned approach the Court has been trying to draw a balance and harmony between the fundamental rights and directive principles? (10 Marks)
- **Q. 13** The rule of beneficial construction required that even an *Ex-Post Facto Law* of the type involved in any case be applied to reduce the punishment. In lieu of the above statement explain the doctrine of *Ex-Post Facto Law* with the Help of Leading Cases. **(10 Marks)**

Section C (20 marks) (Attempt Any Two) (10 Marks Each) Analytical type

Q. 14 "It is said that the due process clause of American Legal System entered through back door in Indian Legal System through the judicial creativity".—

In the light of above statement examine, how due process clause rejected in interpretation of Article 21 in A.K. Gopalan vs. State of Madras (AIR 1951 SC 27) and was adopted later by Apex Court in Maneka Gandhi vs. Union of India (AIR 1978 SC 597)? (10 Marks)

Q. 15 "Article 14 of Indian Constitution permits 'reasonable classification' and prohibits 'class legislation'".—

In the light of above statement, how 'reasonable classification' is permitted and 'class legislation' is prohibited under Article 14 of Indian Constitution? (10 Marks)

Q. 16 Do the press enjoy freedom of speech and expression under the Constitution of India as a citizen? By a government's notification, the newspaper undertakings were restrained from publishing more than 15 pages and containing more than 20 % space for advertisements. Is the law valid under Article 19 (1) (a) read with 19(2)? Explain with the help of proper reasoning, legal provisions and case laws? **(10 Marks)**

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- Q. 18 No arrest can be made in a routine manner on a mere allegation of a commission of an offence made against a person. It would be prudent for a police officer in the interest of the protection of the constitutional rights of a citizen and perhaps in his own interest that no arrest should be made without a reasonable satisfaction reached after some investigation as to the genuineness and bonafide of a complaint and a reasonable belief both as to the persons complicity and even so as to the need to effect arrest. Article 22 of the Indian Constitution guarantees certain rights to any person who is arrested. Examine the rights guaranteed with the help of leading cases.

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Section D (50 marks) (Attempt 5 Questions) Application based / Case study based type

Q. 19 Solve the questions given below based on the following facts and problem:

India i.e. Bharat which is Union of the States is having the diverse culture and different sects, communities and religions. Indian Territory and people have long history of the diverse culture and based on the same background Indian Constitution has also recognized the unity, integrity and common brotherhood including the secular structure of the governance.

Before independence of the country India and Indian people have seen the working of the British Empire of U.K. and their British rule. Freedom fighters had tried to release the Indian Territory from the clutches of the British Empire. In the struggle of the freedom, many freedom fighters had given up their lives for the nation. In this background on 15th August, 1947 India became independent from the British Empire. Constituent Assembly of the Indian formulated the Constitution to regulate governance and development of the country post-independence period.

After seven decades of the independence of the country, still it is being realized and recognized time to time even by the Apex Court of the country that constitutional goals have not yet been fully realized and fulfilled by the successive governments. Still poverty, illiteracy, unemployment is rampant in most of the part of the country.

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Parliament of the country recognized through its Constitutional Amendment Act right to education of the children of the age from six to fourteen years. Constitution also stated provision of right to education is mandatory duty of the state but still reality in the many of the parts of the country reflect that this constitutional goal of right to education has not become real reality. Still in many parts of the country including major States and their governmental education institutions' situation is more dilapidated. Schools are not having proper infrastructure, drinking water facility and good qualified teachers.

In view of the above facts and background, solve the following questions:

Q. 19 (a) Whether right to education is fundamental right of the citizens of the country? Where right to education is guaranteed in Indian Constitution? **(10 Marks)**

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