

**B. A. LL. B. (5 YEAR DEGREE COURSE) SEM-X (2009 COURSE)**

**: SUMMER - 2018**

**SUBJECT : OPTIONAL – VI: a) INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES**

Day : **Monday**  
Date : **23/04/2018**

**S-2018-1356**

Time : **10.00 AM TO 01.00 PM**  
Max. Marks : 80

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**N.B.:**

- 1) Attempt **ANY SIX** questions in all including **Q.No.1** which is **COMPULSORY**.
  - 2) **Q.No.1** carries **20** marks and all other questions carry **12** marks each.
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**Q.1** Write short notes on **ANY FOUR** of the following:

- a) Preamble
- b) Proviso
- c) Legal fiction
- d) Word of rank
- e) Reddendo sigula singulis
- f) Non obstante clause

**Q.2** Time and again the Supreme court has stated that, “a statute is an edict of the legislature and the conventional way of interpreting or construing a statute is to seek the intention of it’s maker’. Explain the terms interpretation and construction of a statute.

**Q.3** According to the literal rule of interpretation, the courts should ascribe the natural, ordinary literal, grammatical or the popular meaning. Elucidate the principles of the literal rule of interpretation.

**Q.4** Many a times the meaning or the intention of the legislature is clear when the court considers the external aids of construction. Discuss the external aids of interpretation.

**Q.5** The problem of interpretation is not always solved by labelling a requirement either mandatory or directory and it may become much more important to focus on the consequence of non-compliance. Explain the rules related to the interpretation of mandatory and directory provisions.

**Q.6** There is a strong presumption that civil courts have jurisdiction to decide all questions of civil nature. Explain the principles of interpretation of statutes affecting the jurisdiction of courts.

**Q.7** There is all the more reason to construe strictly a drastic penal statute which deals with crimes of aggravated nature. Explain the rules related to the interpretation of the penal statutes.

**Q.8** Remedial statutes are required to be construed liberally. Explain.

**Q.9** Discuss the concept of repeal with special reference to express or implied repeal.

**Q.10** Explain the various doctrines which are relied upon, while interpreting the Constitution.

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