

**B. A. LL. B. (5 YEAR DEGREE COURSE) SEM-X (2009
COURSE) : WINTER - 2017**

SUBJECT : OPTIONAL – VI: a) INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES

Day : Saturday
Date : 07/10/2017

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

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- 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) Parliamentary history
 - b) Noscitur-A-Socis
 - c) Word of rank
 - d) Every word in a statute to be given a meaning
 - e) Rule of last antecedent
 - f) Ejusdem generis
- Q.2** The age old process of application of the enacted law has led to the formulation of certain rules of interpretation or construction. Elucidate the meaning of interpretation of statutes.
- Q.3** Purposive construction has very often been employed in interpreting and construing the penal statute also, to avoid a lacuna and to suppress the mischief and advance a remedy or solution. Explain the principle of purposive construction.
- Q.4** Sometimes the object and the intention of the legislature is clear and explicit only when the courts take help of aids of interpretation. Discuss the internal aids of interpretation.
- Q.5** The exclusion of jurisdiction of civil courts is not to be readily inferred and such exclusion must either be explicitly expressed or clearly implied. Explain the rules of interpretation of statutes affecting the jurisdiction of the courts.
- Q.6** “The subject is not to be taxed unless the words of the taxing statute unambiguously impose the tax on him”. Explain the rules of interpretation related to the fiscal statutes.
- Q.7** The prevailing view now is that when mens rea is ousted by a mistaken belief, it is well ousted by an unreasonable belief. Explain the role of mens reas in imputing criminal liability.
- Q.8** A remedial statutes receives a liberal construction whereas a penal statutes is strictly construed. Differentiate between the remedial and penal statutes.
- Q.9** Discuss the rules related to the commencement and expiry of the statutes.
- Q.10** Explain the rules of interpretation related to the constitution.

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