

BACHELOR OF LAWS - LL.B. (THREE YEAR DEGREE COURSE)
(CBCS - 2015 COURSE) LL.B. Sem-I : WINTER : 2021
SUBJECT: MEDIA & LAW

Day : Wednesday

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Time : 02:00 PM-04:30 PM

Max.Marks 60

N.B.:

- 1) All questions are **COMPULSORY**.
- 2) All questions carry **EQUAL** marks.

Q.1 a) “Apart from only reporting, the media in any democratic country, like India has many more roles to play in order to enable the citizens to enjoy the fruits of real democracy”- Comment.

OR

- b)** “Indian judiciary has played a vital role in, not only protecting the freedom of the media, but also promoted the same in the interest of justice”- Justify in the light of landmark cases.

Q.2 a) “Media trial is not only having adverse effect in India, but has global presence, wherever there is freedom of speech and expression”- Explain the statement in the light of comparative analysis of the impact of the media trial in United States of America, United Kingdom, and India.

OR

- b)** Discuss the constitutional validity of the censor board, and also discuss how the censor board is often attacked by the various central or state governments and the moral police in the light of Vishvaroopam and P.K film controversy.

Q.3 a) Explain in detail the concept of author and owner of the copyright, and also state the circumstances when author and owner relating the same work may differ.

OR

- b)** Explain in detail the law of defamation, and also state the exceptions to defamation stated in Indian Penal Code.

Q.4 a) Explain how the Prasar Bharati Act contributed the independence of the media, in light of its aims and objectives.

OR

- b)** Discuss the utility of Right to Information Act 2005, in bringing the transparency in the administration in the light of its salient features.

Q.5 a) i) Discuss the facts and ratio in the case of Virender v State of Punjab
ii) One newspaper was printed in Mumbai, and circulated in State of Madras. The newspaper was critical of the policies of state government of Madras. The state government of Madras banned the circulation of that newspaper. The printer filed a writ petition. Predict the outcome of the petition.

OR

- b)** i) Discuss the facts and ratio in the case of K.A Abbas v Union of India.
ii) One judge ‘Mr A’ was accused of molesting an intern. One news channel ‘Channel B’ while covering the said news displayed the picture of Judge “Mr C” by mistake. Judge “MR C” had no connection with the molestation. “Mr C” then sued the said channel. Predict the outcome of the case.

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