LL.B. (THREE YEAR DEGREE COURSE) (2009 COURSE) LL.B. Sem-VI : SUMMER : 2022

SUBJECT: INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES

Day: Wednesday Date: 18-05-2022

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Time: 10:00 AM-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.
- Q.1 Write short notes on ANY FOUR of the following:
 - a) Omissions not to be inferred
 - b) Preamble
 - c) Every word in a statute to be given a meaning
 - d) Noscitur a socis
 - e) Legal fiction
 - f) Words of a rank
- Q.2 The problem of interpretation is a problem of meaning of words and their effectiveness as a medium of expression to communicate a particular thought. Explain the meaning and object of the interpretation of statutes.
- Q.3 According to Viscount Simon, 'the golden rule is that the words of a statute must prima facie be given their ordinary meaning. Explain the tennets of the golden rule.
- Q.4 External aids throw some light upon the intention and object of the legislature and hence they are referred to by the courts. Discuss the external aids of interpretation.
- Q.5 The question as to whether a statute is mandatory or directory depends upon the intent of the legislature and not upon the language in which the intent is clothed. Explain the rules related to the interpretation of mandatory and directory provisions.
- Q.6 The question of curtailing the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court or the High Court as conferred by the Constitution does not arise. Explain the principle of interpretation which deal with the extent of exclusion of jurisdiction of the Superior Courts.
- Q.7 In case of remedial statutes the doubt is resolved in favour of the class of persons. Explain the rules related to the interpretation of remedial statutes.
- **Q.8** Explain the rules of interpretation related to the penal statutes.
- **Q.9** Discuss the rules related to the consolidating and the codification of the statutes.
- **Q.10** Explain the doctrine related to the interpretation of the Constitution.

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