Syllabus for Entrance Test of LL.B, BA.,LLB and LL.M Course Session 2012

LL.B 3 Year Course

a) General Knowledge 40 Marksb) Legal Aptitude 20 Marks

BA.,LL.B Five Year Integrated Course

a) General Knowledge 50 Marksb) Reasoning 10 Marks

LL.M Course

Unit-I Jurisprudence

1. Introduction

- Meaning and scope of term "Jurisprudence"
- Nature and definition of "Law"
- Relationship of Jurisprudence with other social sciences
- Analytical positivism
- Natural Law
- Historical School
- Sociological School
- Justice
- Meaning & kinds
- Justice & Law: approaches of different schools
- Power of Supreme Court of India to do complete justice in a case: Article 142.
- Critical studies
- Feminist jurisprudence
- Legislation
- Precedents : concept of stare decisis
- Customs
- Juristic writings

Concept: Rights, right to Duty Co-relation; Person; Possession; Ownership, Property; Liability.

Unit-II Constitutional Law-I

Constitutional law: Salient Features- Written Constitution- Preamble- Federal Constitution.

- Parliamentary form of Government:
- Westminster Model- President of India- Election, Qualifications, Impeachment,.
- Position & powers.
- Legislative Privileges- Privileges V. Fundamental Rights.
- Cabinet System, Collective responsibility- Individual responsibility, President- Prime Minister relationship.

• Federalism:

- Principles- Distribution of Legislative Powers-- Arts. 245, 246,and 254.
 Failure of Constitutional Machinery (Art.356)- J&K Special Status (Art 370).
- Constitutional Amendment-Limitation.(Article 368)
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- Freedom of Trade and Commerce- Position in other countries, Position in India
- Regulatory and Compensatory measures (Articles 301-304).
- Articles 141 & 143
- Appointment and impeachment of the Judges of the High Courts and Supreme Court.
- Services Under the Constitution- Doctrine of Pleasure 310, Restrictions 311.

Unit-III Constitutional Law-II

- Fundamental Rights- Concept Of State (Art 12).
- Justifiability of Fundamental Rights (Art 13.)
- Right to equality- Articles 14,15and 16.
- Right to Freedom- Art.19,

Personal Liberty Arts. 20 to 22.

- Freedom of Religion- Arts 25 to 28.
- Cultural and Educational Rights- Arts 29 and 30.
- Constitutional Remedies:

- Writ Jurisdiction
 Scope of Article 32
 Scope of Article 226.
- Directive Principles-Relationship between Directive principles and Fundamental Rights
- Emergency Provisions: Arts 352 to 354, ,358 and 359.

Unit-IV Commercial Laws-I

i. Law of Contract

- General Principles of Law of Contract
 - Agreement and contract: definitions, elements and kinds.

Proposal-acceptance- their various forms, essential elements, communications and revocation- proposal and invitations for proposal- tenders Intention to create legal relationship.

- Consideration- its need, meaning, kinds, essential elements-privity of contract, promissory estoppel, exceptions to consideration- adequacy of consideration-present, past and executary consideration- unlawful consideration and its effects-views of Law Commission of India on consideration- evaluation of the doctrine of consideration.
- Capacity to contract-meaning- definition of minor, necessaries supplied to a minor, agreements beneficial and detrimental to a minor affirmation- restitution in cases of minor's agreement- fraud by minor- agreements made on behalf of a minor's agreement and tested-evaluation of the law relating to minor's agreement.

Free consent-definition-essential factors vitiating free consent.

Coercion-definition-essential-elements-duress and coercion-various illustrations of coercion-doctrine of economic duress-effect of coercion.

Undue influence-definition-essential elements –Who is to prove it? Illustrations of undue influence-independent advice-pardahanashin women- unconscionable bargains – effect of undue influence.

Misrepresentation- definition-misrepresentation of law and of fact their effects and illustration.

Fraud-definition-essential elements-suggestion falsi-suppresio veri- when does silence amounts to fraud? Active –concealment of truth- importance of intention.

Mistake- definition- kinds- fundamental error- mistake of law and of fact – their effect- when does a mistake vitiate free consent and when does it not vitiate free consent?

Legality of objects:

Void agreements – lawful and unlawful considerations and objects- void, violable, illegal and unlawful agreements and their effects.

Forbiden by law

Defeating the provision of any law Fraudulent

Injurious to person or property

Immoral

Against public policy

Void agreements:

Agreements in restraint of trade – its exceptions- sale of goodwill, section 11 of the Partnership Act, trade combinations exclusive dealing agreements, restraint on employees under agreements of service.

Agreement in restraints of legal proceedings – its exceptions.

Discharge of contract and its various modes

By breach- anticipatory breach and present breach.

Impossibility of performance – specific grounds of frustration – application to leasestheories of frustration – effect of frustration –frustration and restitution By period of limitation

- Quasi-contracts of Certain Relations Resembling those Created by Contract
- Damages Kinds- Remoteness of damages- ascertainment of damages.
- Specific Relief
 - Specific performance of contract
 - Contract that can be specifically enforced
 - Persons against whom specific enforcement can be ordered
 - Rescission and cancellation
 - Injunction
 - Temporary
 - Perpetual
 - Declaratory orders
 - Discretion and powers of court

Unit-V

(Indian Contract Act, Indian Partnership Act, Sale of Goods Act and Other Specific Contracts)

1. Indemnity

- 1.1. Definition of Indemnity
- 1.2. Nature and extent of liability of the indemnifier
- 1.3. Commencement of liability of the indemnifier

2. Guarantee

- 2.1. The concept
- 2.2. Definition of guarantee: as distinguished from indemnity.
- 2.3. Basic essentials for a valid guarantee contract.
- 2.4. Position of minor and validity of guarantee when minor is the principal debtor, creditor or surety
- 2.5. Continuing guarantee
- 2.6. Nature of surety's liability
- 2.7. Illustrative situations of existence of continuing guarantee.
- 2.8. Rights of surety
- 2.9. Position of surety in the eyes of law
- 2.10. Various judicial interpretations to protect the surety
- 2.11. Co-surety and manner of sharing liabilities and rights

- 2.12. Extent of surety's liability
- 2.13. Discharge of surety's liability

1. Bailment

- 1.1. Definition of bailment
- 1.2. Kinds of bailees
- 1.3. Duties of bailor and bailee towards each other
- 1.4. Rights of bailor and bailee
- 1.5. Finder of goods as a bailee

2. Agency

- 2.1. Kinds of agents and agencies
- 2.2. Distinction between agent and servant
- 2.3. Essentials of a agency transaction
- 2.4. Various methods of creation of agency
- 2.5. Delegation

1. Sale of Goods

- 1.1. Concept of sale as a contract
- 1.2. Essentials of contract of sale
- 1.3. Implied terms in contract of sale
- 1.4. The rule of caveat emptor and the exceptions thereto under the Sale of Goods Act.
- 1.5. Changing concept of caveat emptor
- 1.6. Unpaid seller and his rights

1. Partnership

- 1.1. Nature of partnership: definition
- 1.2. Mutual relationship between partners
- 1. Registration of Partnership
- 2. Dissolution of Partnership

Unit-VI

Company Law

- Law relating to companies- public and private- Companies Act 1956
- Need of company for development formation of a company registration and incorporation.
- Memorandum of association- various clauses- alteration therein- doctrine of ultra vires
- Articles of association- binding force- alteration- its relation with memorandum of association- doctrine of constructive notice and indoor management- exceptions.
- Prospectus- issue- contents liability for misstatements- statement in lieu of prospectus.
- Promoters- position- duties and liabilities

- Shares- general principles of allotment statutory restrictions share certificate its objects and effects- transfer of shares- restrictions on transfer- procedure for transfer- refusal of transfer- role of public finance institutions- relationship between transferor and transferee- issue of shares at premium and discount-depository receipts- dematerialized shares (DEMAT)
- Shareholder- who can be and who cannot be a shareholder- modes of becoming a shareholder- calls on shares- forfeiture and surrender of shares lien on shares
- Share capital- kinds- alteration and reduction of share capital- further issue of capital- conversion of loans and debentures into capital duties of courts to protect the interests of creditors and share holders
- Directors- position- appointment- qualifications- vacation of office- removal resignation- powers and duties of directors- meeting registers, loansremuneration of directors- role of nominee directors –compensation for loss of office- managing directors- compensation for loss of office – managing directors and other managerial personnel
- Meetings- kinds- procedure- voting
- Debentures- meaning- fixed and floating charge- kinds of debenturesshareholder and debenture holder- remedies of debenture holders
- Protection of minority rights
- Winding up types by court reasonable grounds who can apply - power of court - consequences of winding up order voluntary winding up by members and creditors- winding up subject to supervision of courts liability of past members- payment of liabilitiespreferential payment, unclaimed dividends winding up of unregistered company.

Unit-VII Transfer of Property Laws

Transfer of Property Act:

1. Interpretation Clause-

Section 5-31, 35,54,55,58,60,67,81,82,91,92,93, 100,101, 105-108, 111

Unit- VIII Family Law

Sources & Schools of Muslim Law.

Marriage

- a) Evolution of the institution of Marriage and Family.
- b) Nature, scope and validity of marriage
- c) Classification of marriage.
- d) Polygamy

Divorce and Matrimonial Remedies

Non-Judicial Resolution of Marital Conflicts

- e) Customary dissolution of marriage unilateral divorce. Divorce by mutual consent and other modes of dissolution
- f) Divorce under Muslim Personal Law Talaq -e-tafweez.
- g) Dissolution of Muslim Marriage Act 1939.

Alimony and maintenance

- Maintenance of, divorced wives, minor children, disabled children and parents who are unable to support themselves: provisions under the Code of Criminal Procedure. 1973.
- Maintenance of divorced Muslim women under the Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Divorce) Act. 1986.

Child and the family

- Legitimacy
- Guardainship

Hindu Law

1) Marriage

- a) Evolution of the institution of Marriage and family.
- b) Nature and Concept of Hindu Marriage
- c) Essential conditions of a Hindu Marriage
- d) Grounds for Divorce
- e) Divorce by Mutual consent.

1. Joint Family

- Mitakshara Joint family
- Mitakshara coparcenary- formation and incidents.
- Property under Mitakshara law Separate property and coparcenary property.
- Dayabhaga coparcenary- formation and incidents.
- Property under Dayabhaga Law.
- Karta of the Joint family his position, power, privileges and obligations.

1) Child and the family

- Adoption
- Guardianship- welfare of the child principal.
- Custody, maintenance and education.

1) Matrimonial remedies

- Nullity of marriage
- Restitution of conjugal rights
- Judicial separation
- Dissolution of marriage.
- Desertion- a ground for matrimonial relief
- Cruelty a ground for matrimonial relief
- Adultry- a ground for matrimonial relief
- Other grounds for matrimonial relief

- Doctrine of strict proof
- Taking advantage of ones own wrong or disablity.
 - Accessory
 - Connivance
 - Collusion
 - Condonation
 - Improper or unnecessary delay.

1) Inheritance

- Historical perspectives of traditional Hindu law as a background to the study of Hindu succession Act. 1956
- Succession of property of a Hindu male dying interstate under the provisions of Hindu succession Act 1956
- Succession of property of a Hindu female dying interstate under the provision of Hindu succession Act 1956
- Devolution of interest in Mitakshara coparcenary with reference to the provisions of Hindus succession Act 1956.

Unit-IX- Criminal Law-I

General Defences:-

Section 76-106 IPC

- 1. Group liability under sections 34 and 149 of the IPC
- 2. Unlawful Assembly, Rioting and Affray

Preliminary Crimes

- 1. Abetment: Section 107-109 IPC
- 2. Criminal Conspiracy: Section 120A and 120B of IPC
- 3. Criminal Attempt: Sections 511 and 307 of IPC
 - a. Attempt when punishable
 - b. Tests for determining what constitutes attempt
 - c. Impossible attempt.

Unit-X Criminal Law-II

Specific Offences against Human Body

Section: 299-304, 319-326, 339-343, 359-363, 349-353

Offences against property

Sections: 378,379, 383,384,390,392,391,395,403,405,415-417, 425,426

Unit-XI Law of Torts & Consumer Protection

Introduction and Principles of Liability in Torts

1. Definition of Torts

- 2. Development of Tort actions in England and India Tort distinguished from contract, quasi contract and crime
- 3. Constituents of Torts wrongful act, Damage Injuria sine Damno & Damnum sine Injuria;
- 4. Strict liability & Absolute liability.
- 5. Vicarious liability

Justification in Tort

- 1. Volunti non fit injuria
- 2. Act of God
- 3. Inevitable Accident
- 4. Necessity
- 5. Private defence
- 6. Judicial & quasi Judicial acts

Specific Torts

- 1. Defamation
- 2. Negligence
- 3. Nuisance
- 4. Trespass to Person
- 5. Malicious prosecution and Nervous Shock

Consumer Protection

- 1. Basic concepts: Consumer, service and goods
- 2. Authorities for consumer protection
- 3. Remedies

Motor Vehicles Act.

- 1) General overview of the Law.
- 2) Rule for Payment of compensation
- 3) Fault based liability.
- 4) No-fault liability
- 5) Liability of insurer
- 6) Claims Tribunals.

Unit-XII: International Law including Human rights

- Origin, Development, Definition, Nature and Theories of International Law;
- Its relation with Municipal Laws
- Sources of International Law, Custom, Treaties (including an overview of the law of treaties) General Principles of Law and writings.
- Subjects of international Law:
 - I. State including Recognition of States
 - II. Individuals and peoples
 - III. International organizations,
- Jurisdiction of States: Territorial, Personal and Universal
- Extradition and Asylum
- Law of State Responsibility
- Peaceful Settlement of Disputes including Judicial settlement by ICJ

Use of Forces under international law.

Human Rights

- Origin development and nature of Human Rights
- International Bill of Human Rights
- Regional Systems of Human Rights Law
- Protection of Human Rights Act
- International Humanitarian Law

Unit-XIII: Administrative Law-I

- 1. Classification Of Administrative Action
 - 1.1. Definition of administrative action
 - 1.2. Need for classification
 - 1.3. Identification of legislative action
 - 1.4. Identification of quasi-judicial and administrative actions
 - 1.5. Distinction between quasi-judicial and administrative actions
- 2. Legislative powers of administration
 - 2.1. Necessity for delegation of legislative powers
 - 2.2. Constitutionality of delegated legislation
 - 2.3. Delegation of various types of legislative powers, Power of inclusion and exclusion, taxing power, power of modification including Henry VIII Clause
 - 2.4. Some procedural safeguards
 - 2.4.1. Consultation of affected interests and public participation in rule-making
 - 2.4.2. Publication of delegated legislation
 - 2.5. Legislative control of delegated legislation.
 - 2.5.1. Laying procedure and their efficacy
 - 2.5.2. Committees on subordinate legislation
 - 2.6. Judicial control of delegated legislation
 - 2.7. Sub-delegation of legislative powers
- 3. Natural Justice- Applicability
 - 3.1. Natural Justice: Need for
 - 3.2. The right to hearing: when can it be claimed
 - 3.3. Doctrine of fairness
 - 3.4. Doctrine of legitimate expectation
 - 3.5. Exclusion of natural justice
 - 3.6. Post-decisional hearing
- 4. Natural Justice: Principles
 - 4.1. No man shall be judge in his own cause
 - 4.2. No man shal be condemned unheard.
 - 4.3. Rules of evidence- no evidence, some evidence and substantial evidence rules
 - 4.4. Reasoned decisions

- 4.5. Institutional decisions
- 4.6. Failure of natural justice
- 5. Judicial Control Of Administrative Action
 - 5.1. Exhaustion of administrative and other remedies
 - 5.2. Locus standi
 - 5.3. Public interest litigation
 - 5.4. Laches
 - 5.5. Res-judication
 - 5.6. Grounds of judicial control
 - 5.6.1. Error of jurisdiction
 - 5.6.2. Error of law apparent on the face of the record
 - 5.6.3. Jurisdictional fact
 - 5.6.4. Findings of fact
 - 5.6.5. Moulding of relief
 - 5.7. Remedies in judicial review
 - 5.7.1. Mandamus
 - 5.7.2. Certiorari
 - 5.7.3. Prohibition
 - 5.7.4. Habeas corpus

Unit-XIV: Administrative Law-II

- 1. Administrative Discretion
 - Need for administrative discretion
 - Administrative discretion and rule of law
 - Need for safeguards
- 2. Doctrine Of Excessive Delegation Of Discretion
 - Constitutionality of discretionary powers
 - Administrative discrimination and arbitrariness
- 1. De tournement De peuvoir
 - Malafide exercise of discretion
 - Improper purpose
 - Irrelevant considerations
 - Unreasonableness
 - Non- exercise of discretionary powers
- 1. Liability Of The Government
 - Statutory- immunity
 - Act of state
 - Contractual liability of government
 - Government privilege in legal proceedings
 - Public accountability

Corporations And Public Undertakings

• Characteristics and classification

- Liabilities of public corporations
- Legislative and government control.
- Legal Remedies
- 1. Statutory Judicial Remedies: General
 - Declaratory judgment compared with certiorari
 - Injunctions
 - Injunctions compared with Mandamus.
 - Specific performance and civil suits for compensation
 - Specific statutory remedies
- Exclusion of Judicial Review
 - Scope of exclusionary and finality clauses
 - Impact of doctrine of ultra vires on privative clauses
- Ombudsman
- Vigilance commission.

Unit-XV: Labour Laws

- Definition of Trade Union and the right to form the Trade Union
- Legal Control and Protection of Trade Union: Registration, amalgamation, rights, immunities, liabilities and dissolution. Trade Union Funds.
- Problems: multiplicity of unions, over politicization- intra-union and inter-union rivalry, out side leadership, closed shop and union shop, recognition of unions.
- Collective bargaining
- Theoretical foundations of state regulations of Industrial relation: social justice, labour welfare, public interest, and productivity.
- The conceptual conundrum: industry, industrial dispute, and workmen.
- Machinery for settlement of industrial disputes and power of reference
- Strikes, lock-outs, lay off and retrenchment Transfer and closure
- Unfair labour practices
- Disciplinary proceedings.
- Labour welfare: concept, classification and importance
- Obligations of employer for health, safety and welfare
- Working hours of adults" and "Annual Leave with wages
- Liability for hazardous and inherently dangerous industries- environmental protection.
- Employment of young persons: prohibition of employment of children, regulation of employment of young persons.

- Women and labour force: equal remuneration law, maternity benefits, and protective provisions for women under factories law.
- Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place
 - 1. Concept of minimum wage, fair wage, living wage and need based minimum wage;
 - 2. Constitutional validity of the Minimum wages Act, 1948.
 - 3. Procedure for fixation and revision of minimum wages
 - 4. Procedure for hearing and deciding claims
 - 5. components of wages: dearness allowance, principle of fixation.
 - 1. National Wage policy
 - 2. Principles of wage fixation by adjudication and by wage Board and Pay Commission.
 - 3. Definition of wage under Payment of Wages Act 1936 and responsibility for payment of wages.
 - 4. Fixation of wage period and time of payment of wage.
 - 5. Deductions from wages
 - 6. Remedial measures.
 - Social security: concept and scope
 - Concept of employer, workmen, dependant, disablement.
 - Workmen's compensation: employer's liability for compensation, amount and distribution of compensation.
 - Employee's state insurance : benefits, ESI fund and contribution.
 - Concept of bouns: computation of bonus
 - Gratuity
 - Provident fund and family pension.
 - Un-organised labour: problems and perspectives.
 - Agricultural labour
 - Bonded labour
 - Contract labour
 - Tribal labour
 - Domestic labour
 - Daily wage workers
 - Inter-state migrant workmen: regulation of employment and conditions of service