

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)

MA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2022  
(First Semester)

Branch – JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

INDIAN CONSTITUTION & MEDIA LAWS

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

SECTION-A (5 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(5 x 1 = 5)

1. From which constitution were the concept of Directive Principles of State Policy borrowed?  
(i) British (ii) Irish  
(iii) American (iv) German
2. Which of the following is described as the 'Soul of the Constitution'?  
(i) Fundamental Rights (ii) Fundamental Duties  
(iii) Directive Principles of State Policy (iv) Preamble
3. Which Article of the Indian Constitution contains the provisions of National Emergency?  
(i) Article 352 (ii) Article 356  
(iii) Article 360 (iv) Article 362
4. The unauthorized use of a patent or copyright is termed as \_\_\_\_\_.  
(i) Infringement (ii) Slander  
(iii) Invasion of privacy (iv) Libel
5. Who is the present chairman of the Central Board of Film Certification?  
(i) Lalit Bhasin (ii) Asha Parikh  
(iii) Prasoon Joshi (iv) Pahlaj Nihalani

SECTION - B (15 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 3 = 15)

- 6 a. Explain the ideals of 'equality' outlined in Article 14 of the Indian Constitution.  
OR  
b. What sets the fundamental rights in the Indian Constitution apart from human rights?
- 7 a. Discuss the reasonable restrictions imposed on Freedom of Speech and expression.  
OR  
b. Mention the importance of the Right to Information Act of 2005 in the context of constitutionally protected freedom of speech and expression.
- 8 a. What do you mean by Intellectual Property Right? Why do these rights need to be protected?  
OR  
b. Justify pre-censorship of movies. What would happen if they were not subjected to pre-censorship?

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- 9 a Write your thoughts on the Freedom of the press in India.  
OR  
b Briefly discuss various aspects of Defamation.
- 10 a Write a note on the powers and functions of the Press Council of India.  
OR  
b What are the crucial recommendations of the Majidia wage board?

**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 6 = 30)

- 11 a Discuss the meaning of citizenship. What are the constitutional and statutory basis of citizenship in India?  
OR  
b Discuss the power of parliament and the procedure to amend the Constitution.
- 12 a Why has Freedom of expression always been highlighted as a prerequisite for the democratic functioning of a society? Discuss.  
OR  
b Explain briefly how the Indian Constitution provides for the protection and enforcement of fundamental civil liberties.
- 13 a Explain the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court and High Court of India briefly.  
OR  
b What is Contempt of Court? Under what circumstances a person is said to be an offender of Contempt of Court? Explain.
- 14 a "Press Council in India is a paper tiger with a rubber teeth". Discuss this statement briefly.  
OR  
b Discuss the Information and Technology Act 2000 with special reference to violations and punishments.
- 15 a Explain why various Indian media laws require revision or amendment in the age of "globalisation".  
OR  
b Why is it important for journalists to become familiar with media regulations? Discuss with relevant examples.

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