

2023**LAW****Interpretation of Statutes and Principles
of Legislation****Paper - 505****(NEW SYLLABUS)**

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give answers in their own
words as far as practicable.***Answer question no. 1 and any five from the rest.****1. Answer any ten questions:** **2×10=20**

- a) What do you mean of *stare decisis*?
- b) What do you mean by harmonious construction?
- c) What is meant by *Causus Omissus*?
- d) What is penal statute?
- e) What is remedial statute?
- f) What do you mean by imposition of tax?
- g) What is golden rule of interpretation?
- h) What do you mean by preamble?
- i) What do you mean by constituent assembly debate?

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- j) What do you mean by *non obstante clause*?
- k) Why interpretation of statute is required?
- l) What is the main aim of mischief rule of interpretation?
2. What do you mean by the term 'interpretation of statutes? Is there any difference between interpretation of statutes and construction of statutes?
4+8=12
3. What is golden rule of interpretation? Explain with relevant judicial decisions.
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4. Explain the following: (a) *Ejusdem Generis* (b) *Noscitur a sociis*
6+6=12
5. Discuss rules of interpretation of penal statute with the recent judicial trend in the interpretation of penal statutes. Layout few distinctions between penal and remedial statutes.
8+4=12
6. Discuss the general principles applied to interpret the Constitution. Discuss special rules of construction of Constitution.
6+6=12
7. Discuss the internal aids to the interpretation of statutes.
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8. Explain in the light of relevant cases the rule of literal interpretation.
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9. Discuss the doctrine of severability and the doctrine of colourable legislation with suitable case laws.
6+6=12
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