2025

LAW

Legislative Drafting

(Honours Paper-VII)

Paper - 903

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 **Q. No. 1** and any **five** from the rest.

1. Answer any **ten** questions : 2×10=20

   a) What do you understand by 'Principles of Legislation' ?

   b) What do you mean by the term 'Legislative Drafting'?

   c) What is 'Legislation'?

   d) What is 'Order' under legislative drafting?

   e) Define 'Marginal Notes'.

   f) What do you understand by 'Legal Drafting'?

   g) Mention two disadvantages of legislation.

h) What do you understand by 'Drafting Techniques'?

i) Define 'Clause'.

j) Mention two importance of 'Punctuation'.

k) What do you understand by 'Legislative Process'?

l) What is 'Preamble'?

2. Discuss in detail about the origin and historical development of legislation. 12

3. a) Discuss about the nature and scope of legislation.

b) What do you understand by the term 'Sub-Delegation of legislative process'? 4+8=12

4. a) What is the role of legislation for social changes?

b) Discuss briefly the responsibilities of the legislative draftsmen and their present problems? 4+8=12

5. a) "Legislative drafting is both a Science and an Art" – Discuss.

b) What are 'Acts' and 'Rules'? Cite examples. 8+4=12

6. a) What are the sources of legislation? Explain.

b) Discuss the various steps in legislative drafting. 6+6=12

7. Write short notes on any **three**: 4+4+4=12

a) Importance of marginal notes,

b) Commencement,

c) Short Title.

d) Advantages of legislative drafting.

e) Subsidiary rules of drafting.

8. a) Explain the principle of utility?

b) "Legislation is the main force of use of power of a State" – Discuss. 4+8=12

9. Comment on the following : 4+4+4=12

a) Safeguards against common errors.

b) Significance of Delegated Legislation.

c) Necessity of Non-Obstante Clause.
