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5Yrs.B.A.(LL.B)H/7th Sem/704/25

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LAW

Human Rights Law & Practice (Honours Paper-V)
Paper - 704

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) Recall the year of issuing the Joint Declaration by Winston S. Churchill & the President of the United States of America, Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt.
 - b) Chalk out two differences between Fundamental Rights & Human Rights.
 - c) Mention two salient features of Human rights.
 - d) Which Article of the Indian constitution resembles with Article 1 of the Universal Declaration of Human Right, 1945?
 - e) Identify the year of enforcement of International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

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- f) How many optional protocols are available to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, 1976?
 - g) Define "refugees" under Article 1 of the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees, 1951.
 - h) How do you distinguish between refugees & internally displaced persons?
 - i) Mention the significance of Article 29 & 30 of the Indian constitution as a salient outlook of the protective discrimination to the vulnerable section of the people in the society.
 - j) Narrate any one event where the statutory human rights body in India have played a very significant role in upholding the rights of the people.
 - k) Define "human rights" under Section 2(d) of the Protection of the Human Rights Act, 1993.
 - l) What are the investigative powers of the National Human Rights Commission under Section 14 of the Act of 1993?
2. Explain the concept of Solidarity Rights with illustrations. A multinational corporation causes severe environmental damage affecting multiple countries. Discuss whether solidarity rights can be invoked in such a situation or not.

3. Critically analyze the concept of three generation of human rights and their salient features as proposed by Karel Vasak. Evaluate their relevance in the contemporary world. 12
4. A citizen of India files a writ petition in the Supreme Court of India seeking enforcement of a right guaranteed under the UDHR but not expressly mentioned in the Constitution. In the light of the given scenario, compare between UDHR & the Constitution of India. Justify whether the petition is maintainable or not. 12
5. Analyze how international human rights instruments have influenced judicial activism in India, with reference to landmark Supreme Court decisions. 12
6. "Vulnerable groups require not merely equal treatment but differential protection." Critically analyze this statement in the light of international human rights law and Indian constitutional jurisprudence. 12
7. Examine the role of judiciary in expanding the human rights of vulnerable groups in India by harmonizing international conventions with constitutional interpretation. 12
8. Discuss the powers and functions of the NHRC. 12

9. Critically assess the effectiveness of the State Human Rights Commissions in India as institutions of human rights protection. Suggest reforms to strengthen its independence and enforcement capacity.
