

### Paper-3: Fundamentals of Laws and Ethics

Full Marks: 100 Time allowed:3 hours

#### **Section A**

1. Answer the following questions:

Choose the correct answer from the given four alternatives:

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- (i) All Contracts
  - (A) Should be in writing
  - (B) Should be oral
  - (C) Should be registered
  - (D) None of the above
- (ii) A void agreement
  - (A) is illegal
  - (B) is not void ab-intio
  - (C) may or may not be illegal
  - (D) none of the above
- (iii) Which of the following statements is false in respect of formal contract?
  - (A) It should be in a particular form
  - (B) It should be in writing and witnessed
  - (C) It should have consideration
  - (D) Consideration is not necessary
- (iv) An advertisement for sale goods by auction
  - (A) Amount to an invitation to offer
  - (B) Amount to an offer to hold such sale
  - (C) Amount to an implied offer
  - (D) Amount to a general offer
- (v) The communication of acceptance through telephone is regarded as complete when
  - (A) Acceptance is spoken on phone
  - (B) Acceptance comes to the knowledge of party proposing
  - (C) Acceptance is put in course of transmission
  - (D) Acceptor has done whatever is required to be done by him
- (vi) Consideration contemplated under Indian Law is
  - (A) Past consideration only
  - (B) Present consideration only
  - (C) Past present or future consideration
  - (D) Monetary consideration only
- (vii) Which one of the following statements about the doctrine of privity is correct
  - (A) Only a party to the contract can sue

- (B) Stranger to a contract cannot sue
- (C) A contract is enforceable by stranger
- (D) Both(A) & (B)
- (viii) While obtaining the consent of the promise, keeping silence by the promisor when he has a duty to speak about the material facts, amounts to consent obtained by:
  - (A) Coercion
  - (B) Misrepresentation
  - (C) Mistake
  - (D) Fraud
- (ix) If the words "Not negotiable" are used with special crossing in a cheque, the cheque is
  - (A) not transferable
  - (B) transferable
  - (C) negotiable under certain circumstances
  - (D) none of the above
- (x) The grace period for payment of a negotiable instrument other than payable on demand is ..... days/month
  - (A) 7 days
  - (B) 3 days
  - (C) 1 month
  - (D) 15 days
- (xi) Is offer of performance discharge of obligation
  - (A) Yes
  - (B) No
  - (C) Depends
  - (D) Any of the above
- (xii) A contracts to sing for B for a consideration Rs 5,000 which amount is paid in advance. A becomes unwell and is not able to perform suffers a loss of Rs 10,000. A is liable to pay B
  - (A) Rs 15,000
  - (B) Rs 10,000
  - (C) RS 5,000
  - (D) Nothing
- (xiii) Ordinary damages will be awarded in cases where
  - (A) The loss naturally flows from the breach of contract
  - (B) The loss is remotely connected with the breach of contract
  - (C) The loss is unusual and arises out of special circumstances peculiar to the contract
  - (D) None of these
- (xiv) The Negotiable Instruments Act is applicable to
  - (A) Whole of India
  - (B) Whole of India except Jammu & Kashmir state
  - (C) Whole of India except Jammu & Kashmir City
  - (D) None of the above

- (xv) Cheque is a
  - (A) Promissory note
  - (B) bill of exchange
  - (C) both (A) and (B) above
  - (D) None of the Above
- (xvi) An Auction sale is complete on the
  - (A) Delivery of goods
  - (B) Payment of price
  - (C) Fall of hammer
  - (D) None of the above
- (xvii) A promises to pay B a sum of money if a certain ship does not return within a year. The ship is sunk within a year. The contract is
  - (A) Enforceable
  - (B) Void
  - (C) Voidable
  - (D) illegal
- (xviii) In a Contingent contract which even is contingent
  - (A) Main Event
  - (B) Collateral event
  - (C) Both(A) & (B)
  - (D) None of the above
- (xix) Liability of the joint promisor
  - (A) Joint
  - (B) Several
  - (C) Joint and several
  - (D) None of the above
- (xx) The Exceptions to the rule A Stanger to a contract cannot sue are
  - (A) Beneficiaries in the case of trust
  - (B) Family settlement
  - (C) Assignment of contract
  - (D) All of the above
- (xxi) An Agreement to create legal liability
  - (A) Is not enforceable by law
  - (B) Is a void agreement
  - (C) Is enforceable by law
  - (D) None of the above
- (xxii) An offer stands revoked
  - (A) If the fact of the death or insanity is known to offeree
  - (B) By counter offer
  - (C) By rejection of offer
  - (D) All the above

- (xxiii) which one of the following does not connote 'goods' as defined in the sale of goods

  Act
  - (A) money
  - (B) animals
  - (C) debt
  - (D) both 'a' & 'c'
- (xxiv) In case of appropriation of goods, which are the essential requirement:
  - (A) The goods should confirm to the description and quality stated in the contract
  - (B) The goods must be in a deliverable state
  - (C) The appropriation must be the seller with the assent of the buyer
  - (D) All of the above
- (xxv) A paid Rs 500 to a government servant to get him a contract for the canteen. The Government servant could not get the contract. Can A recover RS 500 paid by him to the Government servant?
  - (A) yes, the agreement is opposed to public policy
  - (B) no ,the agreement is opposed to public policy
  - (C) no, the agreement is a voidable agreement and can be avoided by A
  - (D) no, the agreement falls under section 23 and hence illegal

#### 2. Match the following:

[1 X5=5]

|       | Column A                  |     | Column B                            |  |  |
|-------|---------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| (i)   | Insurance Contract        |     | Invitation to offer                 |  |  |
| (ii)  | Advertisement for sale in | (B) | sec.12(3) of Sale of Goods Act,1930 |  |  |
|       | newspaper                 |     | after 1                             |  |  |
| (iii) | Warranty                  | (C) | C <mark>ont</mark> ingent Contract  |  |  |
| (iv)  | Right Lien                | (D) | Exp. 1(a) to Sec.6                  |  |  |
| (v)   | Cheque in electronic form | (E) | Sec 47 of the Sale of Goods Act     |  |  |

#### 3. State whether the following statement is True or False:

[1 X 12=12]

- (i) The Indian Contract Act, 1872 does not cover all types of contract.
- (ii) Should both offer and acceptance be absolute, unqualified and unconditional.
- (iii) Voluntary transfer of possession of goods from one person to another is called delivery of goods.
- (iv) Conditions and warranties can be implied or expressed.
- (v) When the promise does not accept the offer of performance, the promisor is not responsible for non-performance.
- (vi) Stranger to consideration can file a suit.
- (vii) Restitution of benefit is allowed in case of a minor.
- (viii) Caveat emptor means buyer be aware.
- (ix) 2 parties are involved in a Promissory note.
- (x) A bill which is Not an Inland bill is deemed to be a foreign bill.
- (xi) Generally the owner or any other person can transfer the property in goods.
- (xii) Is telegraphing lowest price on request a mere invitation for an offer.

#### 4. Answer any four of the following questions:

[7X4=28]

- (i) Undue Influence as per sec 16
- (ii) Remedies for Breach of contract(Any 3)
- (iii) Revocation of Offer
- (iv) What is a sound mind for the purpose of contracting
- (v) Define Knockout Agreement & Damping
- (vi) Distinction between a condition and a warranty
- (vii) Difference between Bill of Exchange and Cheque

#### Section B

#### 5. Choose the correct answer from the given four alternatives:

[1X12=12]

- (i) The society for Business Ethics was Started in
  - (A) 1950
  - (B) 1960
  - (C) 1970
  - (D) 1980
- (ii) Ethics in compliance means......
  - (A) It is about obeying to rules and authority
  - (B) It deals with the moral principles behind the operation and regulation of marketing
  - (C) It deals with the duties of a company to ensure that products and production processes do not cause harm
  - (D) None of the above
- (iii) Business Ethics is a code of conduct which businessmen should follow while conducting their .......
  - (A) Normal activities
  - (B) Special activities
  - (C) Specific activities
  - (D) None of the above
- (iv) An expert who is confidentially available to solve the ethical dilemmas is known as.....
  - (A) Ethics guide
  - (B) Ethics trainer
  - (C) Ethic Coach
  - (D) None of the above
- (v) Which of the following statements about business ethics is true?
  - (A) It concerns the impact of a business activities on society
  - (B) It refers the principles and standards that determine acceptable behavior in the world of business
  - (C) It relates to an individual's values and moral standards and the resulting business decisions he or she makes
  - (D) What is ethical is determined by the public, government regulators, interest groups,

competitors and individual's personal moral values

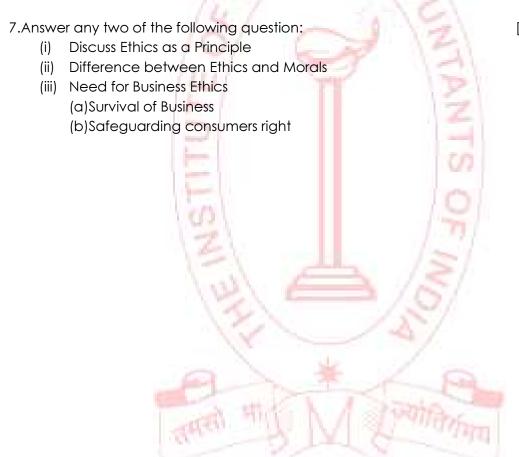
| (∨i) | made it important         | for business to | o have | an ethics | code, | something | in writing | about |
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| who  | at one ought to do, and v | what to strive  | for:   |           |       |           |            |       |

- (A) The Ethics & Code Conduct Act, 2000
- (B) The Sarbanes-Ethics of Code Conduct Act,2001
- (C) The Sarbanes-Oxley Act,2002
- (D) None of the above
- (vii) Following is not a professional characteristics:
  - (A) Competition(Under Cutting)
  - (B) Competency
  - (C) Character
  - (D) Compensation
- (viii) Business ethics calls for avoidance of
  - (A) Competition
  - (B) Publicity
  - (C) Monopoly
  - (D) Self Interest
- (ix) Ethics executives abide by..... relating to their business activities
  - (A) Laws
  - (B) Rules
  - (C) laws, rules and regulations
  - (D) None of above
- (x) Business ethics is ..... in nature
  - (A) Absolute
  - (B) Not Absolute
  - (C) Permanent
  - (D) None of the above
- (xi) Feature that is Not present in business ethics are
  - (A) It has universal application
  - (B) It is absolute in Nature
  - (C) It depends from business to business
  - (D) It cannot be enforced by law
- (xii) This is not of the 7 Principles of Public LIfe
  - (A) Integrity
  - (B) Honesty
  - (C) Content
  - (D) Accountability

6. State whether the following statement is True or False:

[1 X 6=6]

- (i) The Study of ethics is a Systematic Science
- (ii) Corporation ethics is the study of business situations, activities and decisions where issues of right and wrong are addressed.
- (iii) Holders of public office should take decisions solely in terms of the public interest.
- (iv) Ethics refers to the study and development of one's ethical standards.
- (v) In Business ethics, the stakeholder theory of business ethics maintains that managers have an ethical responsibility to mange a firm for the benefit of all its stockholders, and for people who have a claim on a company.
- (vi) "it Is Difficult but not impossible to conduct strictly honest business" is famous quote by Adam Smith



[6 X 2=12]