

End Semester/Reappear (Semester V) Examination December 2022

Programme: LLB

Course: Right to Information

Course Code: 24D.305

Enrollment No: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Marks: 70

Time: 3 Hrs.

### Section I

1. Short Answer type questions. Answer any four.

4 x 5 = 20

- Does the RTI, Act of 2005, have a set format for applications? Discuss.
- An applicant intends to file an application under Right to Information Act, before a Competent Authority to know the details of assets, income and details of investments and Bank Accounts of a powerful Minister. Advice.
- Write a paragraph about "Onus on the PIOs to Provide Information".
- Write a note on imposition of penalties and disciplinary action against erring PIOs.
- An applicant filed an RTI application before BSNL seeking details of the SIM cards issued by it to its subscribers in a particular locality. Can it be provided?
- In order to obtain information, a request was made in writing to a public authority. A proof of citizenship was requested from the petitioner by the public information officer. Offer the candidate advice.

### Section II

Long Answer type questions. Answer any three.

3 x 10 = 30

- Justify the citizen centric approach of public hearing or Jan Sunwai. Discuss the role of Jan Sunwai in the movement for right to information.
- In order to find out the identity of the person who evaluated his paper, a student who failed his LL.B examination submits a request to the relevant public information officer. Can he get this knowledge? Explain.
- In order to ensure that public authorities are abiding with the RTI Act's requirements, discuss the authority of information commissions.
- Referring to important decisions discuss the views of the Supreme Court on RTI.
- Who is an Appellate Authority within the meaning of RTI, Act 2005? Discuss the role of Appellate Authority under the Act.

### Section III

Application based questions. Answer any one.

1 x 20 = 20

- The government, information commissions, and public authorities have all implemented best practices in an effort to strengthen the RTI Act. Elucidate.
  - Discuss the role and responsibilities of the Information Commissions.
- Describe civil society and the role it played in establishing India's right to information regime.
- The right to know is the outcome of judicial activism. Explain.

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