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END TERM EXAMINATION

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Paper Code: BJMC-106

Subject: Media Laws & Ethics

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 75

Note: Attempt any five questions. Q.No.1 is compulsory.

Q. 1. Write short notes on any five of the following:

(3x5=15)

- (a) Emergency and Press
- (b) Copyright Act, 1957
- (c) Juvenile Justice Act
- (d) PRB Act, 1867
- (e) RNI
- (f) Official Secrets Act, 1923
- (g) Defamation

Q. 2. What is the status of Freedom of the Press in the Indian Constitution and restrictions imposed on it? What has been the judicial pronouncement on Freedom of Expression? Write in detail. (8+7=15)

Q. 3. What are Parliamentary Privileges provided in the Constitution? What action can be taken against those who commit contempt of the House? Elaborate with recent examples. (8+7=15)

Q. 4. What are the contributions of the Right to Information Act, 2005 to the Indian society? How it is different from the Freedom of the Information Act, 2002? (10+5=15)

Q. 5. In democracy, the government has no business to frame or suggest media regulations. Such regulations should be initiated by the media itself. Comment and suggest the efforts being made by TV channels in this regard. (10+5=15)

Q. 6. "The Press Council of India has no teeth" Comment, elaborating its limitations and suggest ways and means to strengthen this regulator. (7+8=15)

Q. 7. What has been the contribution of the First and the Second Press Commissions to the Indian Press? Do you think there is a need for the constitution of the Third Press Commission in the wake of the sea-change media have witnessed in the past two decades? Elaborate. (10+5=15)

Q. 8. What precautions a reporter must take while covering judicial proceedings so that he or she may not be accused of Contempt of Court Act? (15)
