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University of Lucknow LL.B. (Integrated) Five Years Degree Course

Second Year – Third Semester Examination, 2026

QUESTION BANK

Model Question Papers – 5 Sets (Set A – Set E)

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF INDIA-I

Paper : LB-302 (CORE)

Time : 3 Hours	Maximum Marks : 75

Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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Unit	Topic Coverage
I	Constitution - Definition and Classification of Constitution; Sources of Constitution; Salient Features of Indian Constitution; Federalism, Nature of Indian Constitution; Rule of Law and Separation of Power
II	Distribution of Powers between Centre and States - Legislative, Administrative and Financial Powers; Doctrine of Territorial Nexus, Harmonious Construction, Pith and Substance, Repugnancy and Colourable Legislation
III	Constitutional Organs - Parliament, Parliamentary Sovereignty, Parliamentary Privileges, Anti Defection Law; Executive Power, Collective Responsibility of Cabinet; Judiciary - Jurisdiction, Appointment and Transfer of Judges, Independence of Judiciary, Doctrine of Political Question
IV	Emergency and Amendment - Emergency Provisions; Amendment of Constitution, Doctrine of Basic Structure; Contractual and Tortious Liability of State; Right to Property and Freedom of Trade and Commerce

This question bank contains five model question papers (Set A to Set E), each with ten unified 15-mark questions balanced across all four units of the syllabus, prepared for practice ahead of the University of Lucknow B.A. LL.B. (Integrated) Second Year, Third Semester Examination.

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[SET – A]

Time : 3 Hours] [M.M. : 75

Note :– Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Q.1. Discuss the meaning and definition of a Constitution and examine the various bases on which Constitutions of the world have been classified, such as written and unwritten, rigid and flexible, and federal and unitary. **[15]**

Q.2. Explain the various sources from which the makers of the Constitution of India drew inspiration, and examine the extent to which each of these sources has shaped the present Constitution. **[15]**

Q.3. Discuss the scheme of distribution of legislative powers between the Union and the States under the Constitution of India with reference to the Union List, State List and Concurrent List. **[15]**

Q.4. Examine the distribution of administrative powers between the Union and the States under the Constitution of India and discuss the extent of the Union's control over State administration. **[15]**

Q.5. Discuss the distribution of financial powers between the Union and the States under the Constitution of India, with reference to the levy, collection and distribution of taxes. **[15]**

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Q.6. Discuss the composition of Parliament and examine the concept of Parliamentary Sovereignty and the extent to which it is recognised under the Constitution of India. **[15]**

Q.7. Explain the meaning and scope of Parliamentary Privileges enjoyed by the members of Parliament and examine the relationship between such privileges and the Fundamental Rights guaranteed under the Constitution. **[15]**

Q.8. Discuss the Anti Defection Law contained in the Tenth Schedule to the Constitution and examine its objectives, working and shortcomings. **[15]**

Q.9. Discuss the constitutional provisions relating to the proclamation of National Emergency under Article 352 and examine its effect on the Fundamental Rights of citizens. **[15]**

Q.10. Explain the constitutional provisions relating to the proclamation of Emergency on account of the failure of constitutional machinery in a State under Article 356, and discuss the safeguards evolved by courts against its misuse. **[15]**

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CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF INDIA-I

Paper : LB-302 (CORE)

[SET – B]

Time : 3 Hours] [M.M. : 75

Note :– Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Q.1. Discuss the salient features of the Indian Constitution which distinguish it from the Constitutions of other countries. **[15]**

Q.2. Explain the meaning of Federalism and examine, with reference to the distribution of powers and the position of the Union, whether the Constitution of India is truly federal, quasi-federal, or a Constitution of a distinct kind. **[15]**

Q.3. Explain the doctrine of Territorial Nexus and discuss, with the help of decided cases, the circumstances in which a State Legislature may validly make a law having extra-territorial operation. **[15]**

Q.4. Explain the doctrine of Harmonious Construction and discuss, with the help of decided cases, how courts resolve an apparent conflict between two entries in different legislative lists. **[15]**

Q.5. Explain the doctrine of Pith and Substance and discuss, with the help of decided cases, how this doctrine is applied by courts to determine the true nature and character of a legislation. **[15]**

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Q.6. Explain the extent of the Executive Power of the Union and discuss the relationship between the President and the Council of Ministers in its exercise. **[15]**

Q.7. Explain the doctrine of Collective Responsibility of the Cabinet and discuss its significance in the working of the parliamentary system of government in India. **[15]**

Q.8. Discuss the original, appellate and advisory jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of India under the Constitution. **[15]**

Q.9. Discuss the procedure for amendment of the Constitution of India under Article 368 and examine the different categories of provisions that may be amended. **[15]**

Q.10. Explain the Doctrine of Basic Structure and discuss, with reference to the decision in Kesavananda Bharati's case, its significance as a limitation on the amending power of Parliament. **[15]**

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CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF INDIA-I

Paper : LB-302 (CORE)

[SET – C]

Time : 3 Hours] [M.M. : 75

Note :– Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Q.1. Discuss the nature of the Indian Constitution and examine the view that it establishes a Constitution which is 'federal in form but unitary in spirit'. **[15]**

Q.2. Explain the doctrine of Rule of Law as propounded by A.V. Dicey and examine the extent to which this doctrine has been incorporated in and adapted by the Constitution of India. **[15]**

Q.3. Explain the doctrine of Repugnancy under Article 254 of the Constitution and discuss, with the help of decided cases, the circumstances in which a State law becomes void on account of repugnancy with a Central law. **[15]**

Q.4. Explain the doctrine of Colourable Legislation and discuss, with the help of decided cases, the circumstances in which a legislation may be struck down as a fraud on the Constitution. **[15]**

Q.5. Discuss the residuary power of legislation under the Constitution of India and examine the principles laid down by courts for determining under which legislative list a particular subject falls. **[15]**

Q.6. Discuss the jurisdiction and powers of the High Courts under the Constitution of India, with particular reference to their power of judicial superintendence over subordinate courts. **[15]**

Q.7. Examine the constitutional provisions and the evolution of the collegium system relating to the appointment of Judges of the Supreme Court and the High Courts. **[15]**

Q.8. Discuss the constitutional provisions relating to the transfer of Judges of High Courts and examine the safeguards provided to protect the independence of the judiciary in this regard. **[15]**

Q.9. Trace the evolution of the Doctrine of Basic Structure through decided cases and discuss the various features that have been held by courts to form part of the basic structure of the Constitution. **[15]**

Q.10. Discuss the contractual liability of the State under Article 299 of the Constitution and examine the conditions that must be satisfied for a valid contract with the Government. **[15]**

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CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF INDIA-I

Paper : LB-302 (CORE)

[SET – D]

Time : 3 Hours] [M.M. : 75

Note :– Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Q.1. Explain the doctrine of Separation of Powers and discuss the extent to which this doctrine has been recognised and applied under the Constitution of India. **[15]**

Q.2. Distinguish between a written and an unwritten Constitution, and between a rigid and a flexible Constitution, examining under which of these categories the Constitution of India falls. **[15]**

Q.3. Explain the significance of the doctrine of Pith and Substance in resolving disputes relating to legislative competence, and distinguish it from the doctrine of Colourable Legislation. **[15]**

Q.4. Discuss the constitutional provisions relating to the President's assent to State Bills reserved for his consideration and examine their significance in the scheme of distribution of legislative powers. **[15]**

Q.5. Examine the extent of Parliament's power to legislate on a State subject during a proclamation of Emergency, and discuss how this affects the normal distribution of legislative powers. **[15]**

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Q.6. Explain the concept of Independence of Judiciary and discuss the various constitutional provisions designed to secure it. **[15]**

Q.7. Explain the Doctrine of Political Question and discuss, with the help of decided cases, the circumstances in which courts have declined to adjudicate upon matters regarded as purely political. **[15]**

Q.8. Discuss the safeguards provided under the Constitution for securing the independence of Judges of the Supreme Court and the High Courts, including provisions relating to their salary, tenure and removal. **[15]**

Q.9. Discuss the tortious liability of the State under Article 300 of the Constitution and examine the distinction between the sovereign and non-sovereign functions of the State in this regard. **[15]**

Q.10. Discuss the history of the Right to Property under the Constitution of India and examine the effect of its removal from the list of Fundamental Rights by the Forty-Fourth Amendment. **[15]**

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CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF INDIA-I

Paper : LB-302 (CORE)

[SET – E]

Time : 3 Hours] [M.M. : 75

Note :– Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Q.1. Discuss the significance of the Preamble to the Constitution of India as an aid to interpretation and examine whether the Preamble forms part of the Constitution. **[15]**

Q.2. Examine the relationship between Rule of Law and Separation of Power as constitutional values, and discuss how the Indian Constitution seeks to reconcile these two principles with the practical need for a strong and effective government. **[15]**

Q.3. Discuss the doctrine of Harmonious Construction with reference to the general principle that entries in the legislative lists should be given the widest possible interpretation. **[15]**

Q.4. Examine the role of the Finance Commission in the scheme of distribution of financial powers between the Union and the States under the Constitution of India. **[15]**

Q.5. Discuss, with reference to decided cases, the interplay between the doctrines of Pith and Substance, Territorial Nexus and Colourable Legislation in determining the validity of State legislation. **[15]**

Q.6. Examine the relationship between Parliamentary Privileges and the freedom of speech guaranteed under Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution, with reference to decided cases. **[15]**

Q.7. Discuss the working of the Anti Defection Law and examine the role of the Speaker or Chairman in deciding questions of disqualification on the ground of defection. **[15]**

Q.8. Examine the doctrine of Collective Responsibility together with the individual responsibility of Ministers, and discuss how these principles operate to make the Council of Ministers accountable to Parliament. **[15]**

Q.9. Explain the constitutional provisions guaranteeing Freedom of Trade and Commerce under Article 301 and discuss the restrictions that may be validly imposed thereon under Articles 302 to 304. **[15]**

Q.10. Discuss the constitutional provisions relating to the President's power to proclaim Financial Emergency under Article 360 and examine its effect on the financial arrangements between the Union and the States. **[15]**