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**BENGALURU**  
**School of Law**  
**Mid - Term Examinations - November 2024**

**Semester:** I

**Date:** 04-11-2024

**Course Code:** LAW 1102

**Time:** 02:00pm – 03:30pm

**Course Name:** Legal Methods and Indian Legal System

**Max Marks:** 50

**Program:** B.A.LL.B./BBA.LL.B./B.Com.LL.B.

**Weightage:** 25%

**Instructions:**

*(i) Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.*

*(ii) Do not write anything on the question paper other than roll number.*

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**Part A**

**Answer ALL the Questions. Each question carries 2marks.**

**5Qx2M=10M**

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| 1 | Define "Law". State the major possibility of law in the society.                            | 2 Marks | L | CO1 |
| 2 | Explain one key function of law in society.   | 2 Marks | L | CO1 |
| 3 | Discuss how does the concept of morality influence legal judgments in everyday cases?       | 2 Marks | L | CO1 |
| 4 | Differentiate between "Justice" and "Morality". State an Illustration.                      | 2 Marks | L | CO2 |
| 5 | In your opinion, why is good conscience considered a source of justice in the legal system? | 2 Marks | L | CO2 |

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**Part B**

**Answer ALL Questions. Each question carries 10 marks.**

**4Qx10M=40M**

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| 6 | <b>6a.</b> Define the concepts of justice, morality, and good conscience. How do they interrelate in legal theory?   | 2 Marks | C | CO1 |
|   | <b>6b.</b> Explain the different kinds of law . How does each serve a unique function in society? Support your answer with Illustrations                     | 3 Marks | C | CO1 |
|   | <b>6c.</b> Explain with Illustration , how good conscience has been applied in a legal decision to resolve a case where statutory law was unclear or silent. | 5 Marks | A | CO2 |

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| <b>7</b>          | <b>7a.</b>  | Analyze the relationship between justice and morality in the legal system. Support your answer with examples.   | 5 Marks | A | CO1 |
|                   | <b>7b.</b>  | Evaluate the role of procedural law and substantive law in achieving justice. Which of these is more crucial for ensuring fairness, and why?  | 3 Marks | L | CO1 |
|                   | <b>7c.</b>  | Design a legal framework that balances the concepts of justice, morality, and good conscience in resolving civil disputes. How would you ensure fairness in a system where moral values may vary? | 2 Marks | A | CO1 |
| <br><b>or</b><br> |             |   |         |   |     |
| <b>8</b>          | <b>8a.</b>  | Define custom and provide an example of how it functions within a legal system.   | 3 Marks | C | CO2 |
|                   | <b>8b.</b>  | Explain the classification of law into public and private law. What are the primary differences between these classifications?  | 5 Marks | C | CO1 |
|                   | <b>8c.</b>  | Discuss how would you apply the concept of custom to resolve a legal dispute in a jurisdiction where custom plays a significant role? Provide a brief example.                                    | 2 Marks | C | CO2 |
| <br><b>or</b><br> |             |   |         |   |     |
| <b>9</b>          | <b>9a.</b>  | Describe the role of custom in the legal system of a specific country. How does it influence the development of statutory law?  | 3 Marks | C | CO2 |
|                   | <b>9b.</b>  | Discuss how would you apply the concept of classification of law to analyze a legal issue involving both criminal and civil aspects? Provide a brief example                                      | 2 Marks | A | CO1 |
|                   | <b>9c.</b>  | Analyze how the hierarchy of courts functions within the common law system compared to the civil law system. What are the key differences in their structures?                                    | 5 Marks | A | CO2 |
| <b>10</b>         | <b>10a.</b> | Define precedent and explain its role in a common law system. State example to justify your answer.   | 2 Marks | C | CO1 |
|                   | <b>10b.</b> | Explain the principle of precedent and its importance in common law systems. How does stare decisis guide judicial decisions?   | 3 Marks | A | CO1 |
|                   | <b>10c.</b> | Imagine a situation where a new legislation is passed that contradicts an established custom. How should courts handle  | 5 Marks | A | CO1 |

this conflict? Illustrate your answer with a hypothetical example.

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| <b>11</b> | <b>11a.</b> | Analyze the impact of the hierarchy of courts on legal consistency. How does the hierarchical structure of courts affect the application of precedent?                               | 5 Marks | A | CO2 |
|           | <b>11b.</b> | Evaluate the effectiveness of legislation compared to custom in addressing modern legal issues. Which do you believe is more effective in the contemporary legal landscape, and why? | 3 Marks | A | CO2 |
|           | <b>11c.</b> | Design a legal case study where custom, precedent, and legislation interact. Describe how each element would influence the outcome of the case, providing a detailed analysis.       | 2 Marks | A | CO2 |
| <b>12</b> | <b>12a.</b> | Discuss how morality influences the creation and application of legislation. Provide an example of a law that reflects moral values  | 3 Marks | C | CO2 |
|           | <b>12b.</b> | Given a hypothetical case where good conscience might influence a legal decision, explain how a judge might use this principle to reach a verdict.                                   | 5 Marks | A | CO1 |
|           | <b>12c.</b> | Analyze the interaction between precedent and legislation in shaping legal outcomes. How do courts balance the two when making decisions?  | 2 Marks | A | CO2 |

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| <b>13</b> | <b>13a.</b> | Evaluate the effectiveness of precedent as a tool for ensuring consistency in the legal system. What are its strengths and potential drawbacks?  | 5 Marks | C | CO1 |
|           | <b>13b.</b> | Propose a new legislative measure that integrates justice, morality, and good conscience. Outline its key components and explain how it would address a current legal or social issue. | 5 Marks | C | CO1 |