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**Course Name :** Sem VIII - LAW304 - Human Rights

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**Max Marks :** 100

**Weightage :** 50%

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**Instructions:**

- (i) *Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.*
  - (ii) *Scientific and non-programmable calculator are permitted.*
  - (iii) *Do not write any information on the question paper other than Roll Number.*
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**ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS**

**(10 X 10 = 100M)**

1. What is the significance of international criminal tribunals, such as the International Criminal Tribunal Rwanda and International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, in setting legal precedents and promoting the development of jurisprudence pertaining to the crime of genocide?  
(CO1) [Comprehension]
2. Analyze the major issues concerning disability laws in India, discuss the legal framework and international obligations, and propose effective measures to address these issues and ensure the inclusion and empowerment of persons with disabilities.  
(CO2) [Comprehension]
3. In the hypothetical nation named "Republica," a notable surge has been observed in the population of homeless individuals. Insufficient measures have been taken by the government to cater to the requirements of the affected populace, leading to a breach of their basic human rights. Individuals experiencing homelessness encounter discriminatory practices, limited availability of fundamental resources, harassment from law enforcement officials, and are deprived of their entitlement to adequate housing and respect. A cohort of human rights advocates and legal experts have resolved to commence a public interest litigation (PIL) before the Supreme Court of Republica, in order to safeguard the rights of individuals who are homeless, in light of the aforementioned circumstances. You are the lawyer representing the human rights advocate. Advice. (The laws of Republica shall be read in accordance with the laws of India).  
(CO3) [Application]

4. You are a policy advisor for a government agency tasked with promoting human rights. What policies and initiatives would you recommend to address discrimination against marginalized groups in your country?

(CO1) [Comprehension]

5. An indigenous community brings a complaint against the state for violating their right to property and cultural identity. The state has authorized the construction of a major infrastructure project on their ancestral lands without proper consultation or consent. Examine the provisions of the American Convention on Human Rights, including Article 21 (Right to Property) and Article 5 (Right to Humane Treatment), and discuss the legal obligations of the state regarding indigenous rights and the potential remedies available to the community.

(CO2) [Application]

6. Analyse the Indian judicial system's implementation of prisoners' rights in practise. Examine the current legislation, guidelines, and legal rulings that protect inmates' rights and evaluate their success in providing humane treatment, a fair trial, and prisoner rehabilitation.

(CO1) [Comprehension]

7. A company implements a policy that discriminates against pregnant employees by denying them promotions and reducing their benefits. A group of affected women employees files a complaint with the appropriate authorities, claiming violation of their rights to equal opportunities and non-discrimination. Examine the constitutional provisions, anti-discrimination laws, and judicial interpretations to argue for the protection of women's rights in the workplace.

(CO3) [Application]

8. In Pakistan, there have been reports of widespread human rights violations, particularly targeting marginalized communities, journalists, and human rights defenders. Analyze the major human rights issues in Pakistan and discuss the international obligations to address these violations and ensure the protection of human rights.

(CO4) [Comprehension]

9. In what ways have writs served as a pivotal instrument in advancing transparency and accountability in governmental proceedings, particularly in instances where malfeasance or usurpation of authority transgresses fundamental human rights?

(CO3) [Comprehension]

10. Critically analyze the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 in India, with a focus on its strengths, weaknesses, and the challenges faced in its implementation. Assess the effectiveness of the Act in promoting and protecting human rights, and propose potential reforms or improvements to address the gaps and enhance its impact.

(CO2) [Comprehension]