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**Make-Up Examinations, July 2024**

**Semester**: 2

**Course Code**: LAW2024

**Course Name**: Constitutional Law - I

**Date**: 05 JULY 2024

**Time**: 9:30AM – 12:30 PM

**Max Marks**: 100

**Weightage**: 50%

**Instructions:**

1. *Read the all questions carefully and answer accordingly.*
2. *Do not write any matter on the question paper other than roll number.*
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**Part A**

**Answer any 4 Questions. Each question carries 5 marks. (4Qx 5M= 20M)**

1. Write a short note on the Preamble of the Constitution. (C.O.1) [Comprehension]

2. Define 'State' under Article 12 of the Constitution. (C.O.2) [Comprehension]

3. Briefly describe the Right to Freedom of Speech and Expression. (C.O.3) [Comprehension]

4. What are Directive Principles of State Policy? (C.O.5) [Comprehension]

5. Explain the concept of reasonable classification under the right to equality. (C.O.3) [Comprehension]

6. List any three Fundamental Duties under the Indian Constitution. (C.O.5) [Comprehension]

**Part B**

**Answer any 4 Questions. Each question carries 10 marks. (4Qx10M=40M)**

7. Discuss the Doctrine of Severability with the help of relevant case laws. (C.O.No.1) [Knowledge]

8. Compare the writs of Habeas Corpus and Mandamus. (C.O.4) [Knowledge]

9. Discuss the protection against conviction for offenses under Article 20 of the Indian Constitution. (C.O.3) [Knowledge]

10. Discuss the relationship between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy. (C.O.5) [Knowledge]

11. Explain the scope and content of the Right to Life and Personal Liberty. (C.O.3) [Knowledge]

12. Discuss the concept of judicial activism with reference to Public Interest (C.O.5) [Knowledge]

**Part C**

**Answer any 2 Questions. Each question carries 20 marks. (2Qx20M=40M)**

13. Discuss the Directive Principles of State Policy and their transformation into Fundamental Rights. Analyze the role of the judiciary in this transformation. (C.O.5) [Analysis]

14. A state's legislative assembly passed a law imposing severe restrictions on the press, prohibiting it from publishing any content critical of the government. A group of journalists has challenged the constitutionality of this law under Article 19(1)(a). Critically examine the constitutionality of such restrictions, considering the balance between freedom of speech and reasonable restrictions. Refer to significant judicial pronouncements in your discussion. (C.O.No. 3) [Analysis]

15. An NGO has filed a writ petition under Article 226 challenging a state government's policy that discriminates against women in government job promotions. Critically analyze the constitutional validity of such a policy in light of the principles of non-discrimination and equal opportunity under Articles 14 and 16. Support your answer with relevant case laws. (C.O.4) [Analysis]