

H.P. Board of Departmental Examination
Departmental Examination for HAS Officers

May 2021

Paper 8: Constitution and Civil Law

Time allowed: Three hours

Maximum marks: 100

Note: 1. Attempt any five questions.

2. All questions carry equal marks.

3. Bare Act, Rules and Manuals may be consulted.

4. Quote relevant provisions of the Acts, Manuals and Rules to support answers.

Question no. I:

(a) Critically examine the statement that '*The Preamble*' is the essence, heart and soul of the Constitution of India." **10 Marks**

(b) Which principles guide and direct the State policy? **10 Marks**

Question no. II:

(a) What are the Constitutional provisions regarding recruitment and conditions of service of persons serving the Union or a State? **10 Marks**

(b) Enumerate the fundamental duties of a citizen of India. **10 Marks**

Question no. III:

Is the Right to Freedom a fundamental right? Can it be suspended by the State?

20 Marks

Question no. IV:

Describe the writ jurisdictions of the Hon'ble Apex Court and the Hon'ble High Courts.

20 Marks

Question no. V:

(a) Which conditions must be fulfilled before solemnisation of a Hindu Marriage?

10 Marks

(b) What is a sound mind for the purpose of contracting? Define 'undue influence.'

5+5=10 Marks

Question no. VI:

(a) Is there any bar of limitation to file suits, appeals and applications? Under which circumstances, the prescribed period of limitation is extendable by the court?

5+5=10 Marks

(b) Who is authorized to hear election petitions pertaining to the Panchayati Raj Institutions? On which grounds the elections can be declared as void? **5+5=10 Marks**

Question no. VII:

Describe the rights and liabilities of the buyer and seller of an immoveable property.

20 Marks

Question no. VIII:

Write short notes on any four of the following:

- (i) Registrar of Societies.
- (ii) Citizen of India.
- (iii) Financial statement of a Company.
- (iv) Voidable marriage.
- (v) All India Services.
- (vi) *Talaq*

5X4=20 Marks