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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2020**

(CBCSS)

Journalism and Mass Communication

MCJ 1C 05—COMMUNICATION LAWS AND ETHICS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

General Instructions

1. *In cases where choices are provided, students can attend **all** questions in each section.*
2. *The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section / Part shall remain the same.*
3. *There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.*

Section A

Write short notes on any *four* of the following. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- (a) IPC.
- (b) Defamation.
- (c) Official Secrets Act.
- (d) PRB Act.
- (e) Working Journalists Act 1958.
- (f) Sting Operation.
- (g) Advertising codes of conduct.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

Turn over

Section B

Write short essay on any *four* of the following. Each question carries 3 weightages :

- (a) Can James Augustus Hickey be described as the father of Indian Press? Did Hickey initiate the struggle for the freedom of the press ?
- (b) Explain the role of Amrita Bazar Patrika in the context of Vernacular Press Act.
- (c) Does RTI Act ensure freedom of citizens for getting what they require ? Discuss.
- (d) Describe the objectives behind setting up of the Press Council of India.
- (e) Explain the role of CBFC. How it is relevant in present time?
- (f) Do you think 'Sting Operation' suitably follows the prescribed notions of journalistic ethics? Critically discuss.
- (g) Examine the need for a stronger legal guarantee for violations against human rights in India.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Section C

Write long essays on any *two* of the following. Each question carries 5 weightages :

- (a) "The Indian Press was anti-government but, it was not always anti-British"- Does the statement reveal the true identity of the Indian Press at a particular time? Justify your answer with arguments.
- (b) What is intellectual property ? What are the laws related to it ?
- (c) Describe the functions and powers of Prasar Bharati. How successfully it is implemented ?
- (d) Privacy is getting affected by more and more danger through the new communication technologies. Discuss.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)