

LEGAL METHODS

PART A

- I. Write short notes on any five of the following questions  
Each question carries 4 marks (5 x 4 = 20)

- a) Distinguish between common law and civil law.
- b) Different types of legislations
- c) Writ jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of India.
- d) Law Commission Reports.
- e) Prospective overruling.
- f) Methods of legal reasoning.
- g) *The Conseil d'Etat* in French Judicial system.

PART B

- II. Answer any two of the following questions  
Each question carries 12 marks (2 x 12 = 24)

- a) Elucidate the jurisdiction and hierarchy of the federal and state court systems in the United States of America.
- b) How do you distinguish between *ratio decidendi* and *obiter dicta*? Explain the techniques adopted for identifying the ratio in a judgement.
- c) Explain the structure of a legislation. Cite Indian legislations as illustrations.

PART C

- Answer the following questions  
Each question carries 3 marks (2 x 3 = 6)

- III. Given below are some basic details of a book. The students are required to present the given details in the following styles of citation: a) The Blue Book, b) OSCOLA and c) the standard Indian Citation. Unnecessary details may be avoided.

Title of the book: Conflict of Laws  
Publisher: LexisNexis  
Year of Publication: 2014  
Place of Publication: Haryana  
Edition number: four  
Name of the author: Atul M Setatvad

- IV. Given below are some basic details about a chapter in an edited book. The students are required to present the given details in the following styles of citation: a) The Blue Book, b) OSCOLA and c) the standard Indian Citation. Unnecessary details may be avoided.

Title of the book: World Wide Research: Reshaping the Sciences and Humanities in the Century of Information

Name of the Chapter: The Value of Authorship in the Digital Environment

Publisher: MIT Press

Year of Publication: 2010

Place of Publication: Massachusetts

Edition number: first

Name of the editors: William H Dutton and Paul W Jeffreys

Name of the author of the chapter: Justine Pila

Page number of the commencement of the chapter: 446

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