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**B.A. LL.B., (Hons) DEGREE THIRD SEMESTER (Supplementary) EXAMINATIONS,
NOVEMBER 2016**

LEGAL METHOD

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

Answer ANY FIVE questions. Each question carries TEN marks.

(5x10=50)

- I. What are the various primary sources of legal materials in India ? Discuss the significance and utility of Gazettes in legal research
- II. Distinguish between a "law journal" and a "law report". What are the different types of law reports published in India. Describe the important components of a law report published in India
- III. With the help of suitable illustration distinguish between 'text books', 'case books', 'commentaries', 'law dictionaries', 'law digest' and 'legal encyclopedias'.
- IV. Elucidate on the various definitions of *ratio decidendi* ? Write a note on Wambaugh's test for determination of *ratio decidendi* of a judgment.
- V. Distinguish between overruling and reversing of a case. Discuss the scope of the doctrine of prospective overruling in India .
- VI. What do you mean by dissenting, concurring, minority and majority opinions. What is the relevant of the doctrine of *per incuriam* in the context of the application of the doctrine of *stare decisis*
- VII. Explain the scope of application of the doctrine of *stare decisis* in India:
- VIII. Write notes on the original, advisory and appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of India.