



Delhi Public School, Howrah

PERIODIC TEST - II (2025-2026)

Class-XII

Care must be taken not to write anything on the question paper. All the questions must be attempted in the correct sequence.

SUBJECT: LEGAL STUDIES (CODE- 074)

Time- 3 Hours

F.M.80

General Instructions:

1. The question paper contains four sections – A, B, C and D
- 1.1 **Section A** – Q.1-Q.20 – Multiple choice questions
- 1.2. **Section B** – Q.21 – Q.28 **2 Marks** each. The answers should not exceed 40 words each.
- 1.3. **Section C** – Q.29 – Q.36. **3 marks** each. The answers should exceed 100 words each.
- 1.4. **Section D** – Q.37 – Q.40. **5 marks** each. The answers should not exceed 140 words each.
2. Internal choice is given in the paper. There is no overall choice.

SECTION A

- 1 Ashok is indebted to Bhanu and Bhanu is indebted to Bhavesh. By mutual agreement among the three, Bhanu is absolved of the liability to pay Bhavesh and Bhavesh accepts Ashok as his debtor. This understanding is converted into a contract. Which of the following options correctly describes the effect of this new arrangement on the already existing contract between the parties? 1
 - (A) The existing contract is discharged by rescission as all terms are cancelled.
 - (B) The existing contract is discharged by novation as the new contract will substitute the old one.
 - (C) The existing contract is automatically discharged by performance.
 - (D) The existing contract is discharged by operation of law as the parties have merged terms of contract.
- 2 Which of the following is a Fundamental Duty inserted by the 86th Amendment? 1
 - (A) Right to education for children between age six and fourteen is now a fundamental right under Article 21A.
 - (B) Provision for early childhood care and education to children below the age of six years.
 - (C) Providing opportunities for education to children by their parents between the age of six and fourteen years.
 - (D) Promotion of educational and economic interests of weaker sections and protection from social injustice and all forms of exploitation.
- 3 Monica wanted to gift her farmhouse in Chandigarh to her sister Savita. She offered the gift to Savita, but before it could be accepted by her, unfortunately, Savita passed away. Which of the following would be true with respect to the gift? 1
 - (A) Gift is valid.
 - (B) Gift is void.
 - (C) Gift will pass on to the legal heirs of Savita.
 - (D) Gift is voidable at the option of Savita's legal heirs.

- 4 Match Column A (Intentional Tort) with Column B (Occurrence) and state the correct option.

Intentional Tort	Occurrence
1. False Imprisonment	a. Defendant intentionally misuses the claimant's chattel, resulting in significant damage, forcing compensation equal to the original value of the chattel.
2. Trespass to Land	b. Defendant locks the claimant in a class room without authority.
3. Trespass to Chattels	c. Defendant litters the claimant's property or creates a drainage outlet below the land.
4. Conversion	d. Defendant paints the claimant's car without consent while claimant is away.

(A) 1-d, 2-c, 3-b, 4-a

(B) 1-c, 2-d, 3-a, 4-b

(C) 1-d, 2-a, 3-b, 4-c

(D) 1-b, 2-c, 3-d, 4-a

- 5 Dr. Ramesh Shrivastav, a famous Indian author, wrote a novel titled "The Golden Sunset" in 2008. After his death in 2025, his novel continues to be popular among readers. His family members are concerned about the copyright of his work. They want to know how long they can claim the copyright to the novel. How long can Dr. Shrivastav's family claim copyright over "The Golden Sunset"?

(A) 60 years from the year 2025.

(B) 60 years from the year 2008.

(C) 60 years from the year following his death.

(D) 70 years from the year of publication.

- 6 In the given question, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Choose the correct option:

Assertion (A): An LLP (Limited Liability Partnership) is a separate legal entity.

Reason (R): Partners in an LLP are personally liable for the LLP's debts and liabilities.

(A) Both assertion (A) and reason (R) are true and reason (R) is the correct explanation of assertion (A).

(B) Both assertion (A) and reason (R) are true but reason (R) is not the correct explanation of assertion (A).

(C) Assertion (A) is true but reason (R) is false.

(D) Assertion (A) is false but reason (R) is true.

- 7 In the given question, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Choose the correct option:

Assertion (A): The Environment Protection Act, 1986 was enacted in response to the Bhopal Gas Tragedy.

Reason (R): The Bhopal Gas Tragedy highlighted the lack of administrative action in terms of giving license to hazardous industries near human settlements.

(A) Both assertion (A) and reason (R) are true and reason (R) is the correct explanation of assertion (A).

(B) Both assertion (A) and reason (R) are true but reason (R) is not the correct explanation of assertion (A).

(C) Assertion (A) is true but reason (R) is false.

(D) Assertion (A) is false but reason (R) is true.

- 8 Examine the following statements and choose the correct options:

Statement 1: The rule of strict liability evolves through Rylands Vs. Fletcher case in the year 1868.

Statement 2: The escape of a hazardous substance is necessary in case of strict liability to arise.

(A) Both Statement 1 and Statement 2 are correct.

(B) Both Statement 1 and Statement 2 are incorrect.

(C) Statement 1 is correct but Statement 2 is incorrect.

(D) Statement 1 is incorrect but Statement 2 is correct.

- 9 Jatin, a resident of Sompur was visiting the neighbouring city of Malikgarh, where he was prevented from entering a public park by the local authority as he did not belong to Malikgarh. Which fundamental right of Jatin has been violated in the above case?

(A) Article 14

(B) Article 17

(C) Article 15

(D) Article 32

- 10 The National Commission for Minorities (NCM) received a complaint from a Muslim student who was denied admission to a government school due to his religious attire. The student claimed that the school's dress code policy was discriminatory and violated his right to practice his religion. On the basis of the said case what is the most appropriate course of action for the NCM to take in this situation? 1
- (A) Dismiss the complaint and let the school administration handle the matter.
 (B) Investigate the complaint and recommend action to the school administration if necessary.
 (C) File a petition in court on behalf of the student.
 (D) Refer the matter to the Ministry of Minority Affairs for further action.
- 11 Recently reports are published in newspaper that TCS, the famous software company is planning to set up its office in Sector V, Kolkata and is searching a location for a period of 20 years. Which mode of transfer would be appropriate in this case? 1
- (A) Sale
 (B) Lease
 (C) Exchange
 (D) Mortgage
- 12 Which of the following is Not a feature of a One Person Company? 1
- (A) The OPC has a separate legal entity of its member.
 (B) The member has a limited liability.
 (C) The OPC has no perpetual succession.
 (D) There is no prescribed minimum paid-up capital for OPC under the Company's Act, 2013.
- 13 In a case of alleged dowry death, the husband, Ravi, was accused of causing death of his wife, Sneha. During the trial, Ravi claimed that Sneha's death was accidental. However, the court noted that the circumstances of her death indicated cruelty related to dowry demands before her demise. In the above scenario to whom the burden of proof will shift and why? 1
- (A) In this case the burden of proof is not required because Ravi's guilt is already proven in the initial investigation.
 (B) The burden of proof will shift to Ravi because dowry death cases reverse the presumption of innocence to guilt.
 (C) To no one as the law always presumes the husband is guilty in dowry deaths.
 (D) To the prosecution as they need to establish Ravi guilty beyond reasonable doubts.
- 14 Peter is a private insurer who sells insurance. John has entered into fire insurance for his house with Peter. According to the terms of the insurance Peter agrees to pay John an amount of Rs. 5 lakh if his house is burnt against an annual premium of Rs. 5,000. This is an example of- 1
- (A) Contingent contract
 (B) Wager
 (C) Mortgage
 (D) Exchange
- 15 Nina is a successful artist who has created a series of paintings that are gaining popularity. She is also working on a new architectural design for a public park. Nina is concerned about protecting her creations. Which of the following types of intellectual property protections are applicable to Nina's paintings and architectural designs? 1
- (A) Nina's paintings and architectural designs are protected under industrial property.
 (B) Nina's paintings are protected under copyright; Nina's architectural designs are protected under industrial property.
 (C) Nina's paintings and architectural designs are protected under trademarks.
 (D) Nina's paintings and architectural designs are both protected under copyright.

- 16 The Lokpal and Lokayukta Act, 2013 aims to combat acts of bribery and corruption of public servants-a term that has been given a fairly wide interpretation in Act.' As per the legislation, an enquiry of corruption can be initiated against w of the following persons? 1
(A) Against the ex-prime minister of India accused of corruption in matters pertaining to international relations
(B) Against the ex- prime minister of India accused of corruption in matters pertaining to internal security.
(C) Against any person who has been a member of either house of parliament.
(D) Against any member of Parliament against whom allegation of corruption is raised for anything said or a vote given by him in the parliament.
- 17 A company 'Fanta-Cola' launched an orange cola in the market that is packaged in a bottle identical to the Cool-Cola bottle. Cool-Cola wants to sue the company. Identify the kind of Intellectual Property Rights violation has taken place in this case 1
(A) Trade mark
(B) Patent
(C) Copyright
(D) GI tag
- 18 Tanvi, who is suffering from dwarfism and an employee in a Public relations company, continuously teased by her colleagues about her short height. She is excluded from all kinds of friends circle in the office and generally not invited in any private and social gathering by her colleagues. Although she is invited in office functions but most of the time she remains alone as no body wants to mingle with her. She is suffering from depression due to this and thinking to quit her job. Under the law of tort the behavior of Tanvi's colleagues towards her can be termed as- 1
(A) Unlawful harassment
(B) Sexual harassment
(C) Negligence
(D) Invasion in Privacy
- 19 Segregation of an accused from the rest of the society by giving him imprisonment serves which of the following objective of criminal law? 1
(A) Retribution
(B) Incapacitation
(C) Rehabilitation
(D) Restoration
- 20 Who appoints the chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission? 1
(A) The Prime Minister
(B) The President
(C) The Chief Justice of India
(D) The Speaker of the Lok Sabha

SECTION B

- 21A Mrs. Preeti Singh was mercilessly beaten by her husband and in-laws for insufficient dowry. The police refused to file an FIR because her in-laws are very influential in the area. 2
(i) Identify the body she can approach for relief and state any two functions of that body.
(ii) State any two powers of this body similar to that of a Civil Court.
- OR
- 21B Meera, a child who had been living in an unsafe juvenile home, filed a complaint about her case, condition. Which organization would investigate her case? Highlight any two of its powers?

22 According to Section 10 of the Indian Contract Act, 1872, one of the essentials of a valid contract is that the parties must be competent to contract. Explain who are considered incompetent to contract under the law. 2

23A Sameer was awarded death penalty in the year 2010 and the same was not executed until 2016. Identify and mention the provisions of the Article in the Indian Constitution under which a remedy is available for such a situation? 2

OR

23B Charan Singh is accused of a theft and taken into custody by the police. What protections can he get under the Constitutional provisions? 2

24 State the recommendations that can be made by the National Human Rights Commission, when a public servant is identified to have violated human rights. 2

25A "Sustainable development is a key concept in addressing the challenges of economic growth while preserving the environment for future generations". What is sustainable development and its aims? 2

OR

25B Highlight at least two provisions of the Indian Constitution that demonstrates a commitment to sustainability and Environmental stewardship. 2

26 A popular music streaming service, "Tuneln", is looking to expand its user base and increase brand awareness. They are considering a strategic partnership with a leading smartphone manufacturer, "TechCorp". The partnership would allow Tuneln to pre-install its music streaming app on TechCorp's smartphones, providing users with easy access to music streaming services.
i. On the basis of the above scenario explains with examples 'strategic partnership'.
ii. What benefits can Tuneln and TechCorp expect from this strategic partnership? 2

27 Ramesh sells his farm and bungalow to Suresh through a single deed, with a condition that Suresh must maintain Ramesh's ancestral property. Suresh wants to accept the farm but reject the bungalow and the condition. Can Suresh do so? Give reasons for your answer. 2

28 Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) system refers to the use of non-adversarial techniques of adjudication of legal disputes. ADR is an attempt to devise machinery, which should be capable of providing an alternative to the conventional methods of resolving disputes in the court system. In accordance with the above statement write two benefits of ADR system. 2

SECTION C

29A Can impeachment procedure be initiated against a sitting judge? Explain the grounds and procedure for impeachment. How many times has this process been successful in the history of Indian Judiciary? 3

OR

29B Examine the role of Supreme Court as an Adjudicator and Interpreter. 3

30 The concept of Lok Adalat is an innovative Indian contribution to the global legal jurisprudence. Analyse the features of Lok Adalat that make it a suitable forum for alternative dispute resolution. 3

31A There are certain exceptions to strict liability, which are not available in a case of absolute liability. Elaborate four such exceptions. 3

OR

31B In the landmark case of *Donoghue v Stevenson*, Ms. Donoghue drank a ginger beer manufactured by Mr. Stevenson. The sealed bottle contained a decomposed snail, which caused Ms. Donoghue to fall ill. The court held that the manufacturer owed a duty of care to those who were reasonably foreseeable to be affected by the product, establishing the modern law of negligence.

a) What is the legal issue raised in the case of *Donoghue v Stevenson*?

(b) Explain the significance of the court's ruling in *Donoghue v Stevenson*

(c) Do you agree with the court's reasoning that manufacturers should owe a duty of care to consumers? Justify your answer.

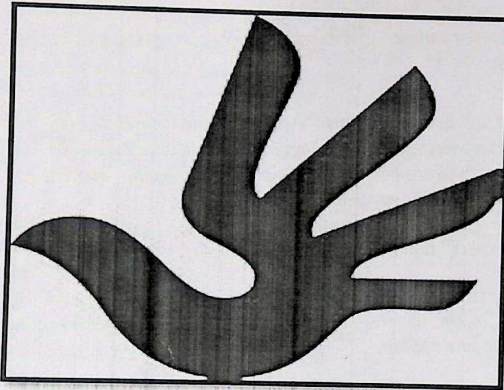
32 Sudha is selling her residential property to Mohan. Describe in brief, the process of how the ownership of the property will be transferred. 3

33A Analyse the purpose of the Environment Protection Act, 1986. 3

OR

33B Name the Statutory organization under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1974, which works under the supervision of the Central Pollution Control Board to implement the environmental laws. List two objectives and two functions of this statutory organisation for the protection of the environment.

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Based on the above image, answer the following questions:

- Identify the image and define the concept associated to it.
- Enlist its major features.

35 Joseph, a mechanical engineer developed a portable and rechargeable sewing machine, which can be carried easily in the pocket. He wants to patent this version and has applied for that under the Patents Act, 1970. But his plea is rejected. State the requirements, which needs to be fulfilled for an idea or invention to qualify as a patentable matter. 3

36 Amit transfers a property to Riya on the condition that she never sells it to anyone who follows a particular religion. Is this condition valid? Discuss. 3

SECTION D

- 37A In a murder case, a victim, Meera, who was in critical condition after an attack, made a statement to the police officer, "It was Rajesh who attacked me with a knife." Shortly after making this statement, Meera passed away. The police officer recorded her statement, and it was presented as a dying declaration in court. Based on the principles laid down in *K.R. Reddy v. The Public Prosecutor* (SC 1976 AIR 1994), discuss whether this dying declaration is admissible in court, and under what conditions the court may rely on it for conviction. 5

OR

- 37B In a case, Vikram plans to rob a bank. He goes to the bank to scout the location and observe the security measures, and he buys a mask and a weapon for the robbery. He then gets nervous and decides not to go through with the robbery. Later, the police arrest him and charge him with attempting to commit robbery. Based on the stages of crime, explain the stages Vikram has passed through, whether he should be charged with attempted robbery, and the legal principles behind this charge.

- 38A In view of a recent tiff between India and Pakistan over the origin and Geographical Indication rights over the ever-popular Basmati Rice, a premium long grain variety of rice grown in Gangetic Plains, discuss: 5
i. What rights does a geographical Indication provide? How would Pakistan be affected if their demand for GI rights is rejected by international organizations?
ii. For which types of products can GI tags be used? Elaborate with suitable examples.

OR

- 38B You are an author who has written a novel in Bengali. The novel has become immensely popular and now podcasters, serial producers and You Tubers are trying to adapt the story to be telecast on various forms of media. There are some authors who also want to translate your novel into English. Discuss how you will negotiate in this situation given that you have certain economic rights as a copyright owner.
- 39 What are Tribunals? How do they play an instrumental role in rendering more effective dispute resolution mechanism? 5
- 40 Rita, a young entrepreneur, started a beauty parlour in her locality. She was the sole owner of the business and took all the decisions regarding operations. As her business grew, Rita was able to enjoy all the profits, but she also faced the full responsibility for any debts or liabilities that arose. However, when she fell ill and could no longer run the business, her beauty parlour had to shut down. Rita's business had no formal registration, and she was the only person responsible for its operations and decisions. In light of the above scenario, answer the following questions: 5
i. Explain the key features of a sole proprietorship.
ii. Writ two advantages and two disadvantages of running a sole proprietorship like Rita's business?