



## SECTION A - MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

1. Every element of the population has----- in simple random sampling:
  - A. No chance of selection
  - B. An equal chance of selection
  - C. A biased chance of selection
  - D. A higher chance of selection
  
2. The primary objective of sampling is-----
  - A. To eliminate the need for statistics
  - B. To study the entire population
  - C. To draw conclusions about a population based on a subset
  - D. To avoid using data in research
  
- 3) One of the following functions is not served by Literature Review:
  - A. Identification of gaps in existing research
  - B. Providing a theoretical framework
  - C. Testing a hypothesis
  - D. Understanding the context of the research
  
4. Which of the following statements is relevant for Observation as a tool for data collection?
  - A. It is used only in scientific research
  - B. It is highly unreliable as a Data Collection Tool
  - C. Both A and B are true
  - D. Neither A nor B is true
  
5. Which of the following is not an example of research design?
  - A. Correlational
  - B. Descriptive
  - C. Diagnostic
  - D. None of the above
  
6. 'Systematic collection and analysis of data for the purpose of taking action and making change' - this definition of Action Research was given by:
  - A. Creswell
  - B. Brown and Branditt
  - C. Gills and Jackson
  - D. Dublin and Bowlby

7. Which of the following tools is typically used in qualitative research?
- A. Content Analysis
  - B. Vignettes
  - C. Focus group discussion
  - D. All of the above
8. A longitudinal study design that observes a defined group over a period of time is called
- A. Sectional Research Design
  - B. Sequential Research Design
  - C. Cohort Research Design
  - D. None of the above
9. Who among the following is a pioneer of Action Research?
- A. Kurt Lewin
  - B. Catharine Mc Kinnon
  - C. Susan Krumholz
  - D. Ronald Bell
10. In research methodology, a hypothesis is defined as:
- A. A guess without much evidence
  - B. A proven theory
  - C. A conclusion
  - D. None of the above
11. Quantitative research may not be suitable for:
- A. Measuring income levels
  - B. Exploring people's lived experiences and feelings
  - C. Statistical analysis
  - D. Testing hypotheses
12. Which of the following best describes an unstructured interview as a data collection tool?
- A. An interview with a fixed set of questions asked in a specific order
  - B. An informal, flexible interview with open-ended questions guided by the respondent's answers
  - C. A multiple-choice questionnaire
  - D. A written test with objective questions
13. Constructivist Grounded Theory proposes that Knowledge is
- A. Provisional
  - B. Complete

- C. Theoretical
- D. Divinely ordained

14. Ethnographic research may be of the following types:

- A. Overt or Covert
- B. Active or Passive
- C. Both A and B
- D. None of the above

15. Interpretive Phenomenological Methodology was proposed by:

- A. Martin Heidegger
- B. Maria Pansah
- C. Dobash and Nash
- D. None of the above

16. which of the following 'term' did not exist in the original Article 19 (2) as a ground for imposing restrictions on freedom of speech but was incorporated later by an amendment;

- A. Decency
- B. Morality
- C. Defamation
- D. Contempt of Court

17. The right freedom of religion under article 25 is not subject to which of the following;

- A. Public order
- B. Morality
- C. Decency
- D. Health

18. In which case did the Supreme Court hold that executive power is the residual government power which remains after judicial and legislative powers are taken away?

- A. Ram Jawaya Kapoor v State of Punjab
- B. A.K. Gopalan v State of Madras
- C. Both A and B
- D. None of the above

19. The ruling in P.V. Narsimha Rao v Union of India was overruled in which of the following case?

- A. Sita Soren v Union of India
- B. Babu Soren v Union of India
- C. Rahul Gandhi v Union of India
- D. None of the above

20. Which of the following is not a ground for imposition of emergency under Article 352 of the Constitution of India?
- A. War
  - B. External Aggression
  - C. Armed Rebellion
  - D. Internal Disturbance
21. Which of the following philosophers justified obedience to the government through the social contract theory;
- A. Grotius
  - B. Aristotle
  - C. Socrates
  - D. Cicero
22. Which concept distinguishes between 'law as it is' and 'law as it ought to be'?
- A. Sociological jurisprudence
  - B. Natural law theory
  - C. Legal realism
  - D. Legal positivism
23. According to H.L.A. Hart, a legal system is incomplete without:
- A. Codification
  - B. Rule of Recognition
  - C. Judicial discretion
  - D. Sanctions
24. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched?
- A. "Law as a fact" – Pound
  - B. "Law as logic" – Ehrlich
  - C. "Law as command" – Austin
  - D. "Law as value" – Savigny
25. Critical Legal Studies (CLS) theorists argue that law is:
- A. A neutral tool for justice
  - B. An autonomous system
  - C. Inherently indeterminate and political
  - D. A fixed reflection of societal morality

## SECTION B – LONG QUESTIONS

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

**Full Marks:50**

**Duration: 1 Hour 30 minutes**

1. Start a new page for each question and take care to identify each answer clearly with the number of the question and, where appropriate, the part you are answering and write your answers in sequence i.e. number wise.
2. Candidates applying for Ph.D. in Law are required to answer any TWO questions from Law and candidates applying for Interdisciplinary PhD shall answer any ONE question from Law AND any ONE from their preferred subject.
3. Each answer should be confined to a maximum of 800 words.
4. Please note that every question is worth 25 marks in this segment.

*PhD in Law: 2 Law Questions: 2x25=50*

*Interdisciplinary PhD: 1 Law Question and 1 from Preferred Subject: 2x25 =50*

#### **Law:**

1. Is the right to vote a fundamental right under the Constitution of India? Answer the question with reference to relevant judicial decisions in this regard.
2. Discuss the evolution of the law regarding parliamentary privilege when a member of the Parliament accepts bribe for asking questions in the Parliament.
3. Discuss the origin and effect of the test of Essential Religious Practice in the context of the right to freedom of religion under the Indian Constitution.
4. What are the drawbacks of decision-making that is premised on divorcing judicial reasoning from the context of rights' violation? Referring to contemporary judicial discourse, discuss if Legal Realism works better than Legal Formalism in safeguarding rights of citizens in courts.

#### **Economics:**

1. Investigate the key drivers of food price inflation in India over the past decade while focusing on the case studies of three of the top contributors to rising food prices. Further, analyse the efficacy of key

government initiatives aimed at mitigating the inflationary pressures and propose a comprehensive roadmap in this regard highlighting the need for policy adjustments, trade reforms and technological innovations.

2. Discuss the strengths of Indian economy which could work in its favour of becoming a global super economic power in the context of its “Viksit Bharat” vision amidst global economic trends.

**Accounts:**

1. Critically analyze the conceptual framework of accounting. How does it support the development of accounting standards and financial reporting?
2. Evaluate the challenges and opportunities presented by the convergence of Indian Accounting Standards with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

**Finance:**

1. Analyze the role of regulatory bodies (such as SEBI, SEC) in ensuring transparency and protecting investors. What reforms would you suggest to enhance market integrity?
2. Explain the structure and components of financial markets in India. Discuss the role and regulation of money markets and capital markets.

**Management:**

1. Using relevant tools and real-world examples, discuss, how can business leaders strategically adjust decision-making in today's fast-paced, technologically advanced world, align HR practices for a resilient and learning-oriented workforce, and integrate supply chain, operations, and finance to increase efficiency and profitability?
2. Critically evaluate theoretical models of ambidexterity and innovation, considering varying conceptualizations. Then, propose and justify a research framework examining the mediating roles of organizational culture and leadership style on the relationship between contextual ambidexterity and radical innovation in fast-paced technological companies.

**Political Science:**

1. In light of recent U.S. legislative and judicial action to ban TikTok, citing national security reasons tied to data collection and algorithmic manipulation, critically evaluate the evolving boundaries of free speech jurisprudence in the digital age. To what extent should algorithm-driven content recommendation systems be considered for protection under the scope of freedom of speech and expression? How might political interests shape the legal framing of social media platforms as either communicative platforms or security threats?
2. Considering the evolving global world order marked by intensified trade tensions and shifting geopolitical alignments, how are India and China leveraging economic statecraft and strategic alliances

to redefine their roles in global governance? As the fabric of global cooperation is tearing apart, can we say that multilateralism and globalization are relics of the past?

**English:**

1. Referring to literary works of your choice, films and media, discuss how they have captured discrimination, subordination and exploitation at the intersections of race or caste and gender at different points of time in history.
2. William Wordsworth defined poetry as a ‘spontaneous overflow of powerful emotions’ – do you agree with him? In times of crisis, how has poetry helped protect humanity? Answer the question by referring to significant poetic contributions that you think are timeless in form and content.

**SPACE FOR WRITING ANSWERS**

































## **ROUGH WORK**