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(HONOURS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2025**

Ninth Semester

F.L. 32—INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LAW

(2020 Admissions—Regular/2018 and 2019 Admissions—Supplementary)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

Write short notes on any five of the following.

Each question carries 3 marks.

1. E-commerce.
2. Digital divide.
3. Right of interception under IT Act 2000.
4. Virtual banking operations.
5. Software piracy.
6. Cyber-squatting.

(5 × 3 = 15 marks)

Part B

Answer any three of the following problems.

Each question carries 10 marks.

7. The State Government had notified for e-filing of application forms and mark-sheets for admission to government higher-secondary schools in the State. However, due to dysfunction of the portal several times and problems arising herein, the Government notified that the system would be discontinued till further orders. 'X', who passed class 10 examination, filed a writ petition before the High Court against Ministry of Higher Education claiming that the Government is under statutory obligation to accept electronic records under Section 6 of the Information Technology Act, 2000. Decide.

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8. Ms. 'X' had a bank account in PQR Bank. The account was linked with her mobile number, issued by XYZ mobile services Company. An amount of Rs. 19 lakh was transferred from her bank account by an unknown person in three days' time. During this period X's mobile phone stopped functioning. This was due to the issue of duplicate SIM card of X's number by XYZ company to an unknown person. 'X' filed a complaint to the adjudicating officer against PQR bank and XYZ mobile services company for being negligent in handling sensitive personal data and therefore liable to pay compensation. The bank contended that it had been sending the SMS for every transaction to the customer's mobile number. Decide referring to relevant statutory provisions and judicial decisions.
9. The Controller has initiated proceedings against 'ABC IT solutions' for contravention of the provisions of the IT Act. After institution of adjudication, a compromise was reached between the parties and decided to compound the same. Does IT Act permit it? Decide.
10. 'X', a student, created a Facebook page in the name of Ms. 'Y' and used Y's photos without her knowledge. Thereafter 'X' sent friend requests to several classmates of Ms. 'Y' and some of them accepted the request. After some days, 'X' posted obscene materials in the Facebook timeline and also sent it as personalized messages to the members in the friend list. Ms. 'Y' came to know about this entire episode and she wants to file a criminal complaint. Advise Ms. 'Y'.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Part C

Answer any two of the following questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

11. Explain the concept of 'cyberspace' and its historical development. Also, discuss why cyberlaw is crucial in today's globalized world. What are the principles and methods used to determine jurisdiction in cyberspace? What are the issues involved in cyber jurisdiction? Do you believe that 'conflict of laws' exists in cyberspace.
12. Examine the provisions of the Information Technology Act concerning digital signatures, elucidating key concepts such as cryptography, public key, and private key. What is the procedure for verifying a digital signature? How is digital signature useful in E-governance? Explain in detail.
13. Explain the provisions for protection of on-line trademark under the Trade Marks Act, 1999. Can domain names be protected as trademarks? Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)