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Time: 1:15 Hrs. Total Marks: 20

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Read the questions carefully and answer.

2. No clarification shall be sought on the question paper.

3. Do not write anything on the question paper. It will be treated as malpractice.

Answer any two questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. "The dystopian genre emerged and developed mainly as a critical response and an antithesis to utopian fiction..." Describe George Orwell's *Nineteen-Eighty Four* as a dystopian novel.
- 2. *In the Court* by Anton Chekov describes the courtroom "as a parti-coloured mass of faces, movements, words, misfortunes, true sayings and lies all racing by like a river in flood". Which techniques and details used by Chekov give to his writing the character of a literary piece distinguishing it from a factual report of the Court proceedings?
- 3. "Diasporic communities are created out of the merging of narratives about journeys from the 'old' country to the new..." Explain elaborately the characteristic features of diasporic literature.

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Time: 1:15 Hrs. Total Marks: 20

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
- 2. No clarification shall be sought on the question paper.
- 3. Do not write anything on the question paper. It will be treated as malpractice.

Answer any two questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. (a) Discuss the significance of the establishment of the first Admiralty Courts in Madras.
 - (b) Examine the differences between the Mayor's Courts established under the Charter Act of 1687 and the Charter Act of 1726.
- 2. What were the defects in the provisions of the Regulating Act, 1773? Discuss them in the light of the Patna case and the Cossijurah case.
- 3. (a) Discuss briefly the changes instituted in the civil justice system under Warren Hastings.
 - (b) What were the important reforms brought about in the legal system under the Cornwallis Code of 1793?

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Time: 1:15 Hrs. Total Marks: 20

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Read the questions carefully and answer.

2. No clarification shall be sought on the question paper.

3. Do not write anything on the question paper. It will be treated as malpractice.

Answer any two questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks

- 1. Jeremy Bentham: "The quantity of pleasure being equal, push-pin is as good as poetry."
 - J. S. Mill: "It is better to be a human being dissatisfied than a pig satisfied; better to be Socrates dissatisfied than a fool satisfied."
 - (a) Discuss the utilitarian doctrine of Jeremy Bentham with reference to the statement given above.
 - (b) Explain with a suitable illustration as to how J. S. Mill has humanized J. Bentham's version of utilitarianism.

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2. Democracy continues to fascinate political thinkers for ages, yet the foremost Greek political philosophers, namely Socrates, Plato and Aristotle had strong antipathy towards the idea of democracy. Discuss the views of Plato and Aristotle on democracy as a form of government. Substantiate your answer by explaining the best forms of government, as expounded by Plato and Aristotle, which could serve as the alternatives to democracy.

5+5=10

3. Niccolo Machiavelli, the realist political thinker, advocated for a unified and formidable state by presenting a series of advices to the prince in his book *The Prince*. Delineate the advices of Machiavelli to the ruler about the need to divorce politics from ethics and religion for a strong state. Also, expand your answer by examining critically some of the important advices given to the prince by Machiavelli.

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Time: 1:15 Hrs. Total Marks: 20

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
- 2. No clarification shall be sought on the question paper.
- 3. Do not write anything on the question paper. It will be treated as malpractice.

Answer any two questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks

1. Critically discuss the theory of Historical Materialism as discussed by Karl Marx. How is it a unique approach to understand social evolution?

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2. What is a *Social Fact*? What is Social Solidarity according to Emile Durkheim? Why is the study of social solidarity important to understand social evolution according to Durkheim?

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3. What is an *Ideal Type* as discussed by Max Weber? Critically discuss Weber's approach to Social Stratification by providing an explanation on his work on *Class*, *Status and Party*.

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Time: 1:15 Hrs. Total Marks: 20

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
- 2. No clarification shall be sought on the question paper.
- 3. Do not write anything on the question paper. It will be treated as malpractice.

Answer any two questions from the following. All questions carry equal marks

1. Examine the various Definitions of Comparative Law and explain whether comparative law is merely a form of legal technique or a science.

Trace the evolution and development of comparative law and explain hurdles, advantages and disadvantages of Unification of Law. (5+5=10)

- 2. It is said that Comparative law can be a necessary antidote in an era of growing national pride and prejudices. By examining the functions of comparative law explain the ways in which comparative law can bring about increasing global socio-cultural integration. (10)
- 3. By tracing the evolution and growth of the English Constitution explain the relative advantages and disadvantages of an unwritten constitution over a written constitution. What is the importance of the doctrine of rule of law in English constitutional theory?

 (5+5=10)

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Time: 1:15 Hrs. Total Marks: 20

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Read the questions carefully and answer.
- 2. No clarification shall be sought on the question paper.
- 3. Do not write anything on the question paper. It will be treated as malpractice.

Question 1 is compulsory. All question carry equal marks.

1. **Statement**: Consumer Protection Law is the result of the *rights* based discourse that was getting its pace during mid 1970-80. The concept was closely related to the then developing jurisprudence of social interest litigations. The idea conceives the principle of *Caveat Venditor*, which is important to stabilize the market in global competition. The said development was also essential because of the growth of science and technology. As with the expansion of technology, it became difficult for the laymen to understand the requisites of different products. E.g. people don't know about the amount of radiation being emitted from a microwave oven; X-ray machine & the limit of carbon emission etc. Hence in order to meet the needs of the common masses, a consumer movement has started at the global level. In the said process different countries have adopted consumer law provisions in their respective constitutions. The same is also done through interpreting the fundamental rights with the lens of consumer rights.

Observation: "Too much govt. and too little administration; too many laws and too little justice; too many public servants and too little public service; too many controls and too little welfare." N. Palkhiwala

In the light of the aforementioned statement and observation, discuss the relevance and scope of the consumer law. Elaborate your answer with help of the relevant readings and class discussions.

- 2. What do you mean by unfair trade practices? How it is related to the consumer rights? Elaborate your answer with help of citing suitable provisions provided under the law.
- 3. Discuss the United Nations Guidelines related to Consumer Law. Further, do you think that it has any impact on domestic laws? Cite relevant examples in support of your answer.

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