EXAMINATION OF ARTICLE CLERKS

PAPER V

COMMERCIAL LAWS

Thursday 6th October, 2021

TIME: 3 HOURS [1-00 P.M. TO 4-00 P.M.]

TOTAL MARKS - 100

General Instructions:

- (1) Please answer all questions to the point.
- (2) Answers should be reasoned and where possible supported by provisions of law and case law.

SECTION - I

THE INDIAN CONTRACT ACT, 1872

1. Mr. A offered to buy Mr. B's house on 25-11-2020 for Rs. 5 Crore. On 10-12-2021 Mr. B made an offer of not less than Rs. 5.5 Crore. This offer was refused by Mr. A on 15-12-2020. On 20-12-2021 Mr. A wrote to Mr. B that he was now prepared to pay Rs. 5.5 Crore. Mr. B refused to sell the house. Mr. A wants to file a suit against Mr. B for breach of contract. What advice would you give Mr. A?

3 Marks

2. Distinguish between undue influence and coercion.

4 Marks

3. Mr. A promises Ms. X to marry her in the event of his wife, Mrs. B's death. 4 years later Mrs. B dies. On Mr. A's refusal to marry Ms. X, she sues Mr. A for damage for breach of promise to marry her. How would you decide the case?.

3 Marks

4. Write short notes on any three of the following:

15 Marks

- i. Agent's duties to the Principal.
- ii. What is a Pledge? How is it different from a Bailment?
- iii. Remedies for breach of contract.
- iv. Novation.
- v. Rights of indemnity holder.

SECTION - II

THE INDIAN PARTNERSHIP ACT, 1932

The Limited Liability Partnership Act 2008

- Discuss the key differences between a Partnership under the 1932
 Act and a Limited Liability Partnership.
- 6. Can a HUF be a partner of a LLP?

3 Marks

- 7. Is an Agreement between the partners of the LLP mandatory for the incorporation of the LLP?
- 8. Write short notes on any three of the following:

15 Marks

- Implied authority of a Partner.
- ii. Dissolution of a Firm.
- iii. Doctrine of Holding Out.
- iv. Consequences of not registering the firm.
- v. Foreign Limited Liability Partnership.

SECTION - III

THE NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS ACT, 1881

9. What is meant by negotiation of a negotiable instrument?

2 Marks

Mr. A requires Rs. 1 Lakh but fails to obtain a loan from the bank as his credit rating is not high enough. Mr. B whose credit is good, accomodates Mr. A by giving him a pronote made out in favour of Mr. C, though Mr. B owes no money to Mr. C. Mr. C endorses the pronote to Mr. D for value received. Mr. D who is a holder in due course, demands payment from Mr. B. Can Mr. B refuse to pay relying on the arrangement between him and Mr. A?

3 Marks

11. Write a short note on presumptions as to negotiable instruments. 5 Marks Write short notes on any three of the following" 15 Marks 12. i. Noting. ii. Holder in due course. Rules as to compensation. iii. Foreign Instruments. iv. Applicability of mens rea to the dishonour of cheques. SECTION - IV SALE OF GOODS ACT, 1930 5 Marks 13. Distinguish an Agreement to Sell from and Agreement of Sale. 5 Marks Explain the rules of Auction under the Act. 14. Write short notes on any three of the following: 15 Marks 15. i. Stoppage in transit. ii. Sale of unascertained goods. iii. Rules relating to delivery. iv. Seller's lien and termination of the lien. v. Sale by sample.