



Part-A: Preliminary Examination

Paper-I (200 Marks)

Duration: Two Hours

1. Constitution of India
2. Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023
3. Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023
4. Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023
5. Prominent changes introduced by new Criminal Laws in comparison to Criminal Laws applicable prior to 01.07.2024
6. Limitation Act
7. Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act
8. NDPS Act
9. Information Technology Act
10. Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act
11. Prevention of Corruption Act
12. Transfer of Property Act
13. Code of Civil Procedure

Paper-II (200 Marks)

Duration: Two Hours

1. General Knowledge
2. Current Affairs
3. Legal Aptitude / Reasoning
4. Decision Making and Problem Solving
5. Comprehension
6. Interpersonal Skills including Communication Skills
7. Logical Reasoning and Analytical Ability
8. Mental Ability
9. Basic Numeracy (Class X level – Numbers, Relations, Orders of Magnitude etc.)
10. Data Interpretation (Charts, Graphs, Tables, Data Sufficiency – Class X level)

Part-B: Main Examination

Qualifying Paper on English – 300 Marks

The aim of this paper is to test the candidate's ability to read and understand serious discursive prose and to express ideas clearly and correctly.

Pattern of Questions

1. Comprehension of given passages
2. Precis Writing
3. Usage and Vocabulary
4. Short Essays

The paper will be of Matriculation or equivalent standard and will be of qualifying nature only. Marks obtained will not be counted for final ranking.

Papers Counted for Merit

Paper I – Legal Drafting and Pleading

Marks: 250

Duration: Three Hours

1. Principles of Pleading
2. Drafting of Pleading
3. Preparation of Appeals / Revision Proposal on given facts
4. Framing of Charges
5. Framing of Issues
6. Essay on recent developments in Criminal Law

Paper II – Constitutional Law

Marks: 250

Duration: Three Hours

1. Constitution and Constitutionalism – Distinctive Features
2. Fundamental Rights – Public Interest Litigation, Legal Aid, Legal Services Authority
3. Relationship between Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties
4. Constitutional Position of the President and relation with the Council of Ministers
5. Governor and his Powers
6. Supreme Court and High Courts
 - o Appointments and Transfer
 - o Powers, Functions and Jurisdiction

7. Centre, States and Local Bodies
 - Distribution of Legislative Powers
 - Administrative Relationships
 - Eminent Domain, State Property, Community Property
8. Legislative Powers, Privileges and Immunities
9. Services under Union and States
 - Recruitment and Conditions of Service
 - Administrative Tribunals
 - UPSC and State PSC – Powers and Functions
10. Emergency Provisions
11. Amendment of the Constitution
12. Principles of Natural Justice
13. Delegated Legislation and Constitutionality
14. Separation of Powers and Constitutional Governance
15. Judicial Review of Administrative Action
16. Ombudsman – Lokpal, Lokayukta

Paper III – Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023

Marks: 250

Duration: Three Hours

1. Prominent changes introduced by BNSS, 2023 compared to CrPC, 1973
2. Definitions
3. Constitution of Criminal Courts and Offices
4. Powers of Courts
5. Arrest of Persons
6. Process to Compel Appearance / Production
7. Security for Peace and Good Behaviour
8. Maintenance of Public Order
9. Preventive Action of Police
10. Police Powers of Investigation
11. Jurisdiction of Criminal Courts
12. Initiation of Proceedings
13. Complaints to Magistrates
14. Commencement before Magistrate
15. Charge
16. Trial before Court of Session
17. Trial of Warrant/Summons Cases & Summary Trials
18. Plea Bargaining
19. Attendance of Confined Persons
20. Evidence in Inquiries and Trials
21. General Provisions as to Inquiries and Trials
22. Accused Persons of Unsound Mind
23. Offences affecting Administration of Justice
24. Judgment, Appeals, Reference and Revision

25. Transfer of Criminal Cases
26. Execution, Suspension, Remission and Commutation of Sentences
27. Bail and Bonds
28. Disposal of Property
29. Limitation for Cognizance
30. Trial through Electronic Mode

Paper IV – Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023

Marks: 250

Duration: Three Hours

1. Prominent changes introduced by BNS, 2023 compared to IPC
2. New Offences and Enhanced Punishments
3. General Principles of Criminal Liability – Mens Rea & Actus Reus
4. Kinds of Punishment and Emerging Trends
5. General Exceptions and Right of Private Defence
6. Abetment and Criminal Conspiracy
7. Sexual and Other Offences against Women and Children
8. Offences against Human Body
9. Offences against the State
10. Offences against Public Tranquility
11. Offences by Public Servants
12. False Evidence and Offences against Public Justice
13. Public Health, Safety and Morals
14. Offences relating to Religion
15. Offences against Property
16. Offences relating to Documents
17. Criminal Intimidation, Defamation

Paper V – Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023

Marks: 250

Duration: Three Hours

1. Key Features and Technology-driven Evidence
2. Definitions
3. Relevancy and Admissibility of Facts
4. Admissions and Confessions
5. Statements by Persons who cannot be called as Witnesses
6. Expert Evidence
7. Oral and Documentary Evidence
8. Exclusion of Oral by Documentary Evidence

9. Burden of Proof and Presumptions
10. Witnesses
11. Examination of Witnesses

Paper VI – Special Laws I

Marks: 250

Duration: Three Hours

1. Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985
2. Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967
3. Explosive Substances Act, 1908
4. National Security Act, 1980
5. Jammu and Kashmir Public Safety Act, 1978
6. Indian Arms Act, 1959
7. J&K Excise Act, SVT 1958
8. J&K Police Act, 1983

Paper VII – Special Laws II

Marks: 250

Duration: Three Hours

1. Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012
2. Information Technology Act, 2000
3. Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015
4. Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988
5. Prevention of Black Marketing and Maintenance of Supplies of Essential Commodities Act, 1980
6. Public Gambling Act, 1867
7. Indian Forest Act, 1927
8. Motor Vehicles Act, 1988
9. Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 and Rules

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