

PAPER-VI
Indian Legal Profession and Code of Ethics

Part A

Answer Any Five of the Following: (5x5=25)

- Q1. What is the criterion for admission as an advocate on a state roll and what are the grounds of disqualification for enrolment under the Advocates Act 1961?
- Q2. What are the duties of an advocate towards the court as described in the rules framed by the Bar Council of India under section 49(1)(c) of the Advocates Act, 1961?
- Q3. What is the role of Bar Council Disciplinary Committee in ensuring ethical practice of law in India?
- Q4. Can a lawyer engage in another full time profession? Support your answer with case law.
- Q5. What do you think is the rationale behind the rule prohibiting advocates from advertising? Discuss its pros and cons?
- Q6. How do the Bar Council rules regulate the issue of professional fee of an advocate?

Part B

Answer any three of the following: (15x3=45)

- Q7. One of the functions of the bar council as mentioned under section 6 of the Act is to safeguard the rights, privileges and interests of advocates on its roll. Can a bar council use 'call for strike' as a tool to perform the above mentioned purpose? Explain in detail.
- Q8. An advocate stands as a *loco parentis* towards his client? Explain in detail.
- Q9. Discuss the meaning of professional misconduct under the Advocates Act, 1961? What is the punishment prescribed for an advocate found guilty of professional misconduct?
- Q10. Discuss in detail those aspects of professional misconduct by a lawyer which may result in contempt of court?

Part C

Answer any one of the following: (1x30=30)

- Q11. How far do you think the instrument of public interest litigation empowers lawyers in establishing the rule of law and securing socio-economic justice for the less empowered people in a developing country like India? What is required to ensure that the potential of PIL is explored optimally?
- Q12. What is the meaning of right to practice under the Advocates Act, 1961? Whether practising in non-litigious matters amount to 'practising the profession of law'?