

**NALSAR PROXIMATE EDUCATION  
NALSAR UNIVERSITY OF LAW, HYDERABAD  
P.G.DIPLOMA IN MEDIA LAWS**

**2014 - 2015**

**PAPER I- MEDIA AND PUBLIC POLICY**

**Time: 2 ½ hours.**

**TOTAL MARKS: 90**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- 1. The questions to be interpreted as given and no clarification can be sought from the invigilator.**
- 2. No printed or handwritten materials will be allowed in the hall.**
- 3. All questions carry equal marks (15 each).**
- 4. Answer any six questions, only the first six questions will be marked.**
- 5. Answers without Question numbers will not be marked.**
- 6. Short notes not to exceed 75 words, Long answers not to exceed 250 words.**
- 7. Imaginary case laws used in the answer will result in striking of the answers in total.**

**ANSWER ANY SIX OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ONLY**

1. Explain Social Responsibility Theory of media in the context of corporate giants and foreign companies owning the Indian Media Organizations.
2. Why the “Right to Information Act” is necessary in Indian democracy? Does it have any constitutional foundation?
3. What is public authority under Right to Information Act, 2005 and what is the meaning of suo motu disclosure in the context of this law.
4. What do you mean by freedom of expression? How it is different from Freedom of Press? Illustrate with a case law.
5. What is the restriction under Section 66A of Information Technology Act 2000 against the freedom of expression? Is it reasonable? Explain the ground of ‘reasonable restrictions’ envisaged by the Constitution.
6. What is the objective and function of Press Council of India? Who abolished it and why? Explain in the context of its present activity.
7. What was decided in the case of Kharak Singh v State of Madhya Pradesh? How it is relevant to media law?
8. Write Short Notes on any two:
  - a) People’s Union of Civil Liberties case
  - b) Libertarian Theory of Media
  - c) Censorship of Books and Films