

**DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION
NALSAR UNIVERSITY OF LAW, HYDERABAD**

Post-Graduate Diploma in Media Laws (Batch 2019 – 2020)

Take Home – Supplementary Examination (January, 2021)

Paper IV – 1.4. Electronic Media and Regulatory Law

TOTAL MARKS: 100

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- a) Read the instructions for Take Home Examination carefully and adhere to the same.
 - b) *Please mention your name, ID No., subject name and total number of pages on the Answer Sheet.*
 - c) *Clearly indicate the question numbers while answering them.*
 - d) *Answer all questions and each question carries 10 marks.*
 - e) The answers should be written in 300 words. Exceeding the word limit can get you '0' marks.
 - f) *Since this is a take home exam, we expect your answers to be analytical rather than straight answers.*
 - g) Copying from any source including from reading material and other students is strictly prohibited. Plagiarism is considered as a serious academic mis-conduct and the University will take action as it deems fit.
-

Part I

Problem based question

A petition against the programme of Sudarshan TV, has been filed by a lawyer, Firoz Iqbal Khan, alleging that "Bindas Bol" contained statements which were derogatory about the entry of Muslims into the civil services. In the programme's trailer, which was widely shared on social media platforms, the anchor and editor-in-chief of Sudarshan News, Suresh Chavhanke, was seen questioning how there had been a sudden increase in the number of Muslims succeeding in Indian Administrative Service and Indian Police Service exams. "

Answer the following questions based on the above paragraph:

1. Whether Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has any power to regulate TV Media? What are those powers?
2. What is the source of the power to regulate the TV media? Explain with provisions of the law.
3. Whether the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has power to moderate or change the content of Sudharshan TV or any TV?
4. Explain the efforts to bring regulation of private broadcasting in India? Whether those efforts successful or not?

Part II

See the following image and answer the question:



5. Can you control Fake news on TV media?

Part III

Read the material (Module 1.4) Chapter III from pages 45 to 75 and answer the following questions:

6. What is the origin of Telegraph Act 1885 and its salient features?
7. Whether Telegraph Act 1885 is relevant today?
8. Why there was a demand for autonomy for Doordarshan and whether it was granted?
9. How Electronic media under the control of Government can be autonomous?
10. What is News Broadcasters Association (NBA)? Can NBA effectively regulate the private broadcasters?