

BA LLB
TENTH SEMESTER
RIGHT TO INFORMATION
BLB – 1004OP₆¹ [SPECIAL REPEAT]
[USE OMR FOR OBJECTIVE PART]

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Duration : 3 hrs.

Full Marks : 80

Time : 30 min.

[PART-A : Objective]

Marks : 30

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1×10=10

- RTI Act 2005 enacted on
 - 2nd October, 2005
 - 15th August, 2005
 - 15th June, 2005
 - 26th January, 2005
- Which section of RTI Act 2005 deals with 'obligations of public authorities'
 - Section 6
 - Section 7
 - Section 8
 - Section 4(1)
- Central Chief Information Commissioner(CIC) is appointed by
 - President
 - Prime Minister
 - Vice President
 - Home Minister
- Under RTI Act, the language of an application may be in
 - English
 - Hindi
 - Regional Language
 - All of the above
- What is the time limit to get the information concerning the life and liberty of a person?
 - 48 hours
 - 24 hours
 - 5 days
 - 10 days
- Right to Information includes the right to obtaining information in the form of:
 - Diskettes
 - Floppies
 - Tapes
 - All the above
- Which of the following is not come under the definition of 'information' under RTI Act, 2005?
 - Log Books
 - File notings
 - Data material held in any electronic form
 - circulars
- A public Information Officer will be liable to be imposed a monetary penalty for:
 - Refusal to receive an information application
 - Destroying information
 - Not providing information within specified time limits
 - All of them

9. Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) shall be appointed for a term of-----years from date on which he enters upon his office or till he attains the age of-----years, whichever is earlier

a. 6 years/66 years	b. 5 years/70 years
c. 5 years/60 years	d. 5 years/65 years
10. If the interests of a third party are involved in information sought for, the maximum time limit to get the information will be

a. 30 days	b. 40 days
c. 45 days	d. 60 days

Answer the following: (Use descriptive answer sheet)

2×10=20

1. Do you think that Right to Information is a fundamental right? Write a short note on constitutional provisions relating to Right to Information.
2. What is the significance of RTI in a democracy?
3. An RTI application was filed before the National Human Rights Commission Council (NHRC) for seeking some information. The Secretary of the NHRC argued that it is not a public authority in view of the RTI Act, 2005. Decide.
4. Mr. X, an applicant, filed an application seeking reply from the Public Information Officer of a Public authority, why the Director post in his department was lying vacant for the last 10 years. Is public information Officer bound to provide such information?
5. Write briefly on Consumer's Right to know.
6. Write a short note on appeal under RTI Act, 2005.
7. Mention two statutory enactments (excluding RTI Act, 2005) which provide implicit right to information.
8. Decide whether the following action is valid:
 - A State Public Information officer supplied the information to an information seeker (applicant) after 60 days of the receipt of the request. *(The information sought is not related to third party.)*
9. Write briefly the non-application of RTI Act 2005 to certain organizations.
10. Write briefly the significance of Second Schedule of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

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(PART-B : Descriptive)

Time : 2 hrs. 30 min.

Marks : 50

[Answer the following questions]

1. a. An efficient representative democracy presupposes free access to information held by public authorities by making disclosure of information in the public domain. A truly democratic set-up requires an informed citizenry who is direct stakeholder in every public authority's action. Elaborate 10
- Or*
- b. An applicant filed an RTI application before Chief Minister's Secretariat, Govt. of Mizoram seeking details of Press Releases issued by the office regarding border dispute issues with Assam. The Chief Minister's Secretariat argued that Press Release cannot be treated as information under RTI Act, 2005. Decide and advice the applicant. 10
2. a. What do you understand by 'Information' under RTI Act? What are the informations that can be exempted under the RTI Act? Explain. 2+8=10
- Or*
- b. Mr. 'X', a retired employee of a public authority, filed an RTI application requesting the public authority to supply the certified copies of a report on trade secrets received in confidence from a foreign government. Advice the public authority. 10
3. a. Explain the rule of severability under the Right to Information Act. Give a suitable illustration. 10
- Or*
- b. Discuss the salient features of the Right to Information Act, 2005 10
4. a. Explain the provisions relating to penalties under the Right to Information Act, 2005. 10
- Or*
- b. State the provisions of Right to Information Act regarding the constitution, powers and functions of the Central Information Commission. 10

5. a. Draft an RTI petition, being a candidate of the *Combined Competitive Examination, 2020*, addressing the State Public Information Officer of the ASSAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION (APSC) seeking the following particulars of information: 10
- a) The cut-off marks of Written Examination (Category wise) and Final Cut-off Marks (written+viva, Category wise) of the said examination.
 - b) Obtained Marks by you in the written examination for the above said examination.

Or

- b. An applicant in his complaint requested the commission to impose penalty on public information for non-supply of information within thirty days and also to award damages to him for the loss suffered. Decide. 10

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