



LAW OF COPYRIGHT

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SYLLABUS

1. Introduction.
 - a. The object of Copyright Law
 - b. Nature and Meaning of Copyright
 - c. Subject matter of Copyright
 - d. Copyright and International Convention
2. Author, Ownership & Copyright.
3. Performers & Broadcasting Rights.
4. Copyright in Information & Communication Technology.
5. Copyright Board & Registrar of Copyright.
6. Registration of Copyright.
7. Assignment & Transfer of copyright.
8. Licenses & Publication.
9. Infringement & Remedies.

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PREVIOUS YEAR QUESTION PAPERS

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Answer any five Questions

1. Do you think copyright is a negative right? Substantiate your answer with the help of statutory provisions and decided case laws. [16]
2. Discuss the International Conventions which have helped in the evolution and shaping of the Copyright Law in India. [16]
3. Explain the concepts of 'Author' and 'Ownership' under the Law of Copyright. [16]
4. Who is a performer? Discuss performer's right under the Copyright Law in India. [16]
5. Discuss the works to be protected under the Copyright Law in the realm of Information and Communication technology with the help of statutory provisions and decided cases. [16]
6. (a) Discuss 'Registrar and Deputy Registrars of Copyrights'. [6]
(b) Write a note on 'Register of Copyrights'. [10]
7. Explain the differences between the concepts of 'Assignment' and 'License' under the Law of Copyright with the help of statutory provisions and decided cases. [16]
8. Discuss the concept of 'Fair use' or 'Fair dealing' in India under the Copyright Law with the help of statutory provisions and decided cases. [16]

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9. (a) Elucidate on Anton Piller order. [8]
(b) Elucidate on John Doe order. [8]

10. (a) Write a note on offence of infringement of copyright or other rights conferred by the Copyright Act. [8]
(b) Write a note on power of police to seize infringing copies. [8]

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Answer any five Questions

1. (a) Write a note on "Works in which copyright subsists." [8]
(b) Write a note on "meaning of copyright". [8]
2. Explain "First owner of copyright" with the help of statutory provisions and decided cases. [16]
3. (a) Discuss "Broadcast reproduction right". [8]
(b) Discuss "Performer's rights". [8]
4. Discuss the law relating to "registration of copyright". [16]
5. Write a note on "Assignment of copyright" with the help of statutory provisions and decided cases. [16]
6. (a) Discuss "Compulsory licence in unpublished or published work". [10]
(b) Discuss "Compulsory licence for benefit of disabled". [6]
7. Write a note on "liability of internet service provider for infringement of copyright in digital work." Happening by use of internet? [16]

8. Write a note on "acts which shall not constitute an infringement of copyright". [16]

9. Write a note on "injunctions" which is sought as main remedy in most copyright suits to restrain the defendant from continuing to do acts which constitute infringement. [16]

10. Explain the origin and development of Copyright law in context to TRIPS Agreement and its impact on India. [16]

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Answer any five Questions

1. Discuss the object & nature of Copyright Law in international and national perspectives. [16]

2. Explain the subject matter of Copyright with reference to relevant law in India and International Scenario. [16]

3. (a) Who are Author? [6]
(b) Discuss law relating ownership of copyright in India. [10]

4. (a) Explain copyright of performers in Indian Law. [10]
(b) What do you understand by broadcasting rights? [6]

5. Discuss the law relating to copyright with reference to Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in India. [16]

6. (a) Do you think registration of copyright is compulsory in India? [2]

(b) Explain the power and function of register of Copyright under the India Law. [14]



7. Explain law relating assignment of copyright and transfer of copyright under the Copyright Act in India. [8+8]
8. Discuss law relating to compulsory license of copyright with reference to the Copyright Act in India. [16]
9. Discuss the legal provisions relating infringement of copyright and remedies available in India with reference to judicial decisions. [16]
10. Write short notes on any four of the following: [4×4]
- (a) Literary Work.
 - (b) Fair Use.
 - (c) Idea and expression for protection of copyright.
 - (d) Originality of copyrightable work.
 - (e) Copyright of computer software.

2022 | Law of Copyright

Answer any five Questions

1. (a) "Strong Copyright protection is essential for economic development" - Explain. [10]
(b) What is neighbouring Rights? [6]
2. (a) Explain the basic concepts of copyrights from the invention of Guttenberg to till the age of computer. [10]
(b) What is the role of copyright for the technological development? [6]
3. Write short notes on the following (any four): [4+4]
- (a) Broadcasting.
 - (b) Cinematograph Film.
 - (c) Joint Authorship.
 - (d) Fair Use.



4. Explain the different kinds of remedies available for infringement of copyright. [16]
5. (a) Examine the salient features of Berne Convention for protection of Literary and Artistic Works. [10]
(b) Discuss the significant provisions of the TRIPS agreement. [6]
6. Explain the power and functions of the Copyright Board and Copyright Society in India. [16]
7. Examine the rights of Broadcasting organization and of performers. [16]
8. (a) Why registration is not compulsory under the Copyright Act of India? [8]
(b) Explain the procedure of registration under the said act. [8]
9. What are the works to be protected under the Copyright Act for Information Communication technology? [16]
10. (a) Who is Performer? [4]
(b) Discuss the performer's right under the Copyright Act as amended. [12]

2021 | Law of Copyright

Answer any five Questions

1. (a) Briefly discuss the scope and object of Copyright Act, 1957. [8]
(b) Describe the registration procedure of copyright under the present Act. [8]
2. (a) Who is an 'author' under the Copyright law? [4]
(b) Discuss the concept of ownership of Copyright. [4]



(c) Whether Copyright can be transferred? If so, what is the procedure? [8]

3. Discuss the law relating to Information and Communication technology. [16]

4. Discuss performance & broadcasting rights as recognized under the Copyright Act, 1957. [16]

5. Write an essay on 'International Convention on Copyright'. [16]

6. (a) What Constitutes an infringement of Copyright under the Copyright Act, 1957. [8]

(b) Discuss the remedies available against the infringement of Copyright under the Copyright Act, 1957. [8]

7. (a) Discuss the subject matter of Copyright. [8]

(b) Write a note on protection of Computer Software. [8]

8. Discuss the law relating to 'Licensing of Copyright'. [16]

9. Discuss the changes made in Copyright law through Copyright (Amendment) Act, 2012. [16]

10. Write short notes on any four of the following: [4×4]

(a) Copyright Board.

(b) Anton Pillar Order.

(c) Literary Work.

(d) Originality in Copyright.

(e) Copyright Society.

(f) Registrar of Copyright.

(g) Damages in Copyright Action.

2019 | Law of Copyright

Answer any five Questions

1. Discuss the subject matter of Copyright. [16]
2. (a) Write a note on special features of Copyright. [8]
(b) What is the justification for providing Copyright to author? Discuss. [8]
3. Discuss the rights of broadcasting organisation and performers' right. [16]
4. Write a detailed note on various Rights of Copyright Owner. [16]
5. Discuss the various modes in transfer of Copyright. [16]
6. Discuss the terms of Copyrights under which copyright is recognised. [16]
7. Discuss the procedure of copyright registration. [16]
8. Discuss the law relating to infringement of copyright. [16]
9. Discuss the law relating to remedies of infringement of copyright. [16]
10. Write Short Notes on any two of the following: [8×2]
 - (a) Copyright as property.
 - (b) Licensing of copyright.
 - (c) Sound recording.
 - (d) Idea and Expression dichotomy.

2018 | Law of Copyright

Answer any five Questions

1. (a) Discuss the nature and object of Copyright Law. [8]
(b) Explain the meaning of Copyright under Section 14 of the Copyright Act, 1957. [8]
2. (a) Explain the concept of 'Idea' and 'Expression' under the Copyright Act, in India. [8]
(b) Discuss the subject matter of Copyright. [8]
3. (a) Write a note on Ownership of Copyright. [8]
(b) Discuss the importance of International Conventions in protecting Copyright in India. [8]
4. (a) Discuss the law relating to Registration of Copyright. [8]
(b) Discuss the Broadcasting Rights as recognized under the Copyright Act, 1957. [8]
5. (a) What constitutes an infringement of Copyright under the Copyright Act, 1957? [8]
(b) Discuss the remedies available against the infringement of Copyright under the Copyright Act, 1957. [8]
6. Discuss the changes which have been made through Copyright (Amendment) Act, 2012 to the Copyright Act, 1957. [16]
7. (a) Discuss the law relating to Copyright in Information and Communication Technology.
(b) Write a note on Protection of Copyright of Computer Software. [10+6]
8. Discuss the law relating to Licensing of Copyright. [16]
9. TRIPS Agreement had a great impact on the development of the Copyright Act in India - Justify. [16]

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10. Write short notes on (any four): [4×4]

- (a) Fair use of Copyright.
- (b) Moral Rights of Author.
- (c) Literary Work.
- (d) Anton Pillar Order.
- (e) Performer's Right.
- (f) Copyright Board.

2017 | Law of Copyright

Answer any five Questions

1. (a) Discuss the nature and meaning of Copyright. [8]
(b) Write a note on "TRIPS Agreement". [8]
2. Explain the justifications for providing Copyright to author. [16]
3. Discuss the various rights of broadcasting organization and of performance (neighbouring rights). [16]
4. Write a brief note on the various features of Copyright Law in India. [16]
5. Discuss the term of Copyright as provided under the Copyright Act, 1957. [16]
6. Discuss the law relating to registration of Copyright. [16]
7. (a) Discuss concept of "Author" under Copyright law. [8]
(b) Discuss the law relating to ownership of Copyright. [8]
8. When Copyright is deemed to be infringed? [16]
9. "Certain Acts not to be infringement of Copyright" - Discuss. [16]
10. Write a short notes on any two of the following : [8×2]



- (a) Remedies of Copyright Infringement.
- (b) Copyright Board.
- (c) Subject matter of Copyright.
- (d) Assignment of Copyright.
- (e) Copyright Protection in Internet.

2016 | Law of Copyright

Answer any five Questions

1. (a) Explain the concept of 'Idea' and 'Expression' under the Copyright Act in India. [8]
(b) Discuss the subject-matter of Copyright under Indian law. [8]
2. (a) Discuss the nature and object of Copyright Law. [8]
(b) Explain the meaning of Copyright under section 14 of Copyright Act, 1957. [8]
3. What are the works to be protected under the Copyright Act for Information Communication Technology? [16]
4. (a) Write a note on Ownership of Copyright. [8]
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7. Explain the powers and function of the Copyright Board and Copyright Society in India. [16]



8. (a) What constitutes an infringement of Copyright under the Copyright Act, 1957. [8]
(b) Discuss the remedies available against the infringement of copyright under the Copyright Act, 1957. [8]
9. Discuss the changes made in the Copyright law through the Copyright (Amendment) Act, 2012. [16]
10. Write short notes on (any four) : [4×4]
(a) Anton Pillar Order.
(b) "Licenses and Publication" under Copyright Law.
(c) Fair use of Copyright.
(d) Berne Convention.
(e) Moral Rights of Author.
(f) Literary Work.

2015 | Law of Copyright

Answer any five Questions

1. Do you think that Copyright is negative right? justify Your answer with various examples. [16]
2. Define the term "Copyright" under the Copyright Legislation. Explain the concept of 'Idea' and 'Expression' under the Copyright Act in India. [16]
3. Why registration is not compulsory under Copyright Act of India? Explain the procedure of registration under the said act. [16]
4. What are the works to be protected under the Copyright act for Information Communication Technology? [16]
5. Explain the power and function of the Copyright Board and Copyright Society in India. [16]



6. Who is Performer? Discuss the Performer's Right under the Copyright Act as amended in the year 2012. [16]
7. How do you prove that there is an infringement of Copyright in any work? Justify in your own words the role played by judiciary in this regard. [8+8]
8. Give a short description of Civil and Administrative remedies against the infringement of Copyright Act with reference to Judicial decisions. [16]
9. "TRIP's Agreement had a great impact on the development of the Copyright Legislation in India" - Justify. [16]
10. Write short notes on any four of the following : [4×4]
- (a) Anton Pillar Order.
 - (b) Rube Nisi Order.
 - (c) Berne Convention.
 - (d) Criminal Remedies for Infringement of Copyright.
 - (e) Fair use of Copyright.
 - (f) Subject matter of Copyright.

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