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Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April 2019
(Career Related First Degree Programme Under CBCSS)

Group 2(a)

Malayalam and Mass Communication

Vocational Course – IX

MX 1671 : MEDIA LAW, ETHICS AND SOCIETY
(2014 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer the following in **one/two** words or in **one/two** sentences.

- 1) RNI
- 2) Fourth estate
- 3) Legal Correspondent
- 4) Press Accreditation
- 5) Libel
- 6) NBSA
- 7) IPC
- 8) Prasar Bhavathi
- 9) Bail
- 10) Article 19.1 (a).

(10×1=10 Marks)

II. Answer **any eight** questions, **each** in about **60** words.

- 11) Official Secrets Act.
- 12) Sting operation.
- 13) Caveat.
- 14) Wage Board.
- 15) Contempt of Court.

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- 16) Censorship.
- 17) Copyright Act.
- 18) Supreme Court of India.
- 19) Self regulation.
- 20) Defamation.
- 21) Contempt of Legislature.
- 22) Fourth Estate.

(8×2=16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six** questions, **each** in about **120** words.

- 23) What is media ethics ? List out the ethical codes to be practiced by media persons.
- 24) Write a short note on RTI Act. Explain if it ensures freedom of citizens for getting the information they require.
- 25) Write a note on judicial system in India. Explain the types of law courts.
- 26) What are Directive Principles ? Name atleast five directives given in the Indian Constitution.
- 27) Discuss the scope of Working Journalists Act in detail.
- 28) The law in India is in a precarious state on a vital aspect of freedom of the press : the lack of statutory protection of a journalist's sources. Elucidate your views.
- 29) What is Press and Registration of Books Act ? What are its objectives ? Explain in detail.
- 30) Write a short note on Cable TV Regulation Act.
- 31) Explain Drugs and Magic Remedies Act.

(6×4=24 Marks)

IV. Write long essays on **any two** of the following :

- 32) Critically analyse the role of gate keeper in the context of interactive media journalism.
- 33) The exponential growth of media has resulted in a decline in an individual's privacy. Critically evaluate with examples how misuse of sting operations and trial by media affect the code of ethics of journalism.
- 34) Explain how Freedom of Press is defined based on Indian Constitution. Critically examine the status of press freedom in India.
- 35) Explain the role, constitution and responsibilities of Press Council of India.

(15×2=30 Marks)