

Bankura University
3-yrs LL.B.(H), Sem-I Examination, 2021
Right to Information Act
Course Code: LB106 O

Answer any five questions
The figures in the margin indicate full marks

Time- 3hrs

F.M.-80

- 1 a) Democracy thrives in transparency, but not in secrecy. Discuss.
- b) The Right to Information Act, 2005 is the reformed version of the Freedom of Information Act 2002. Examine. (8+8)
- 2a) Right to information is a general rule subject to the exemptions provided under the Act - Discuss with relevant provisions.
- b) Discuss the Constitutional aspects of Right to Information Act with relevant case laws. (8+8)
- 3 a) What is 'information' as per RTI Act?
- b) Distinguish complaint from Appeal under RTI Act.
- c) Examine the power of the Information commission to entertain complaint and appeal under the Act. (4+4+8)
- 4 a) What is Public Authority.
- b) Examine the obligation of the Public Authorities to provide information.
- c) An illiterate person wants to seek some information from a public authority. He insists that the public information officer has to reduce his request in to writing. Is Public Information Officer bound to oblige? (4+8+4)
5. a) Explain the constitution, powers and functions of the Central Information Commission.
- b) A State Govt. appointed a sitting MLA as State Chief Information Commissioner. Is it valid? (10+6)
6. a) What is Best Practices?
- b) Explain the salient features of Officers Secret Act, 1923
- c) State the punishments provided under Official Secrets Act, 1923. (4+8+4)
7. Discuss the leading cases decided by the Central Information Commission and State Information Commissions on

a) Income Tax b) Banks c) Police d) Revenue Department

(4+4+4+4)

8. a) Explain the national scenario of development of concept of Right to information Act, 2005.

b) Explain the procedure of filing application for obtaining information under Right to information Act, 2005.

(8+8)