LL.B. Semester—X (Five Year Degree Course) Examination (Pattern-2008-09) INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES

(40296)

Paper-IV

Time: Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks: 100

- N.B.: (1) Solve in all SEVEN questions including question no. 1 which is compulsory and carries 16 marks.
 - (2) All other questions carry 14 marks each.
- 1. Write short notes on (any four):
 - (a) Doctrine of pith and substance.
 - (b) Interpretation of enabling statutes.
 - (c) Noscitur a sociis.
 - (d) Use of shall and may
 - (e) Presumption against retrospectivity.
 - (f) Subdelegation.
- Explain the principle that a statute must be constructed according to legislative intent.
- 3. What are external aids to construction? Discuss the importance of translation and historical facts as an external aid to construction.
- Explain briefly the Mischief Rule of Construction with the help of decided cases.
- Write explanatory notes on the following :
 - (a) Presumption as to jurisdiction.
 - (b) Rule of last antecedent.

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- 6. What is implied repeal? Discuss the circumstances when intendment of repeal may be inferred.
 What are its effects and consequences?
- Discuss the rules of plain and ordinary meaning with the help of suitable case laws.
- 8. "Every statute enacted by the legislature is constitutionally valid". Discuss.
- What is the meaning of strict construction? Explain the strict construction of penal statutes.
- 10. Explain the following maxims:
 - (a) Ut Res Magis Valeat Quam Pereat.
 - (b) Ex-visceribus Actus.
- 11. Distinguish between temporary and perpetual statutes. What are the effects of expiry of temporary statute?
- 12. Bring out the similarities and contrast between Law and Morals.