



**Second Semester LL.M. Examination, January 2012**  
**Paper – 8 : PUBLIC UTILITIES LAW**  
**Constitutional Law Branch**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**Instructions :** 1. Answer **all** questions.

2. Figures to the **right** indicate marks.

Q.No. 1. (a) Evaluate the role of 'police' as a governmental monopolised public utility service.

Marks : 10

OR

Discuss the powers, functions and liabilities of electricity supply public utilities.

(b) Explain in brief the role of any of the regulatory authority for public utility services.

Marks : 6

OR

Postal department has been planned to be transformed into money saving, unit, passport and 'Aadhar' or UID distribution centres. Comment on the change in pattern of public utility service.

Q.No. 2. (a) Public utility enterprises are services rather than commercial organisations of government. Comment.

Marks : 10

OR

Governmental control is implied in public utility services as they owe their origin and continued existence to the Government. Comment.

(b) In the wake of liberalisation and privatisation is there a necessity of dispensing Governmental monopoly in public utility services. Comment.

Marks : 6

OR

Explain the administrative structure in Telephone-public utility services.

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Q.No. 3. (a) What is meant by fair-hearing ? Explain the practice and procedure of administrative adjudication in Railway public utility services.

Marks : 10

OR

Explain the functioning style of Electricity Regulatory Authority of India or Karnataka State Electricity Regulatory Authority.

(b) Explain the rights of consumer against deficiencies in banking services.

Marks : 6

OR

Compare and contrast Quasi-Judicial decision and administrative discretion in the matters connected to public utility services.

Q.No. 4. (a) Elucidate the constitutional protection guaranteed to civil servants. Marks : 10

OR

Explain the 'classification test' doctrine and 'New doctrine of equality' as applied by apex court of India.

(b) Discuss the applicability of industrial law in case of strike by employees of public sector undertakings.

Marks : 6

OR

Whether employees of public utility services are entitled for fundamental rights ?

Q.No. 5. (a) Discuss the governmental liability for breach of contract with special reference to public utility services.

Marks : 10

OR

Examine the special privileges of 'public utilities' in case of test and crime committed by its personnel.

(b) Enumerate liabilities and special privileges of public utilities with special reference to Railway, Police and Fire brigade.

Marks : 6

OR

Write a note on 'waiver' in case of Public contracts.