DIPLOMA IN LAW AND MEDIA
SEMESTER – I
DLMI-2: PRESS LAW AND ETHICS

MAX. MARKS: 100
PASS: 40%
INTERNAL: 30
EXTERNAL: 70
CREDITS: 6

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/ EXAMINER:

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2. The Question Paper will have 70 Multiple Choice questions (MCQs) and four choices of answers will be there covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 1 mark. All questions will be compulsory; hence candidates will attempt all the questions.
3. Paper-setters/Examiners are requested to distribute the questions from section A and Section B of the syllabus equally i.e., 35 questions from section A and 35 questions from Section B.
4. The examiner shall give clear instructions to the candidates to attempt questions.
5. The duration of each paper will be two hours.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE STUDENTS

The question paper shall consist of 70 Multiple Choice questions. All questions will be compulsory and each question will carry 1 mark. There will be no negative marking. Students are required to answer using OMR (Optimal Mark Recognition) sheets.

Section A

Unit 1: Concept, development and role of print media in Indian democracy

Unit 2: Press laws in India: registration, publication, ownership and circulation of newspapers

Unit 3: Press Council of India Act, 1978: objectives, composition, powers and functions

Unit 4: Norms of journalistic conduct, accuracy, fairness, independence and accountability

Section B

Unit 5: Media ethics: truth, objectivity, public interest, conflict of interest and paid news

Unit 6: Protection of sources, investigative journalism, sting operations and ethical limitations

Unit 7: Reporting on crime, elections, communal issues, gender and vulnerable groups

Unit 8: Fake news, misinformation, disinformation and ethical responsibilities of media organizations