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PhD Entrance Test – 2026
SECTION-II: Law - 35 Marks**

(w.e.f. 2017)

1. Constitution Law

- 1.1. Fundamental Rights(Art.12-32)
- 1.2. Directive Principles of State Policy (Art 36-51)
- 1.3. Fundamental duties (Art 51-A)

2. Theories of Law

- 2.1. Natural Law theory
- 2.2. Analytical Legal positivism
- 2.3. American Legal realism
- 2.4. Historical School & Sociological school

3. Theories of Justice

- 3.1. Aristotle's theory of Justice
- 3.2. Bentham's interpretation of justice
- 3.3. Rawl's Theory of justice

4. Interpretation of Statute

- 4.1. General rules of interpretation
- 4.2. Interpretation of Constitutional Documents
- 4.3. Internal & external Aids of interpretation

5. Judicial Process

- 5.1. Concept of Judicial review
- 5.2. Concept of judicial precedent
- 5.3. Judicial Independence

6. Law and social transformation

- 6.1 Law and social change
- 6.2 Religion and law
- 6.3 Women and law
- 6.4 Child and law

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- 3. Indian Constitutional Law, M.P. Jain – Lexisnexis, 2015.
- 4. Legal Theory, W.Friedmann – Universal Law Publishing Co., Delhi, 2013.
- 5. Jurisprudence the Philosophy and Method of the Law
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