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Or

(b) The issue of film censorship in the country brings out the tensions between community standards, state restrictions and certification. Explain.

7. (a) Explain in detail the function and powers of the Press Council in India. Why is the PCI referred to as a 'toothless tiger'?

Or

(b) Explain the various provisions of the Copyright Act and the remedies against the infringement of copyright.

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Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. This question paper contains 2 parts. **Both** parts are compulsory.
3. Candidates have to answer **ALL** the questions in **Part A** and **ANY THREE** questions in **Part B**.
4. Questions in **Part A** carry 10 marks each and questions in **Part B** carry 20 marks each.

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Part A

1. (a) Critically analyse Article 19(1)(a) and Article 19(1)(2) of the Constitution with respect to the freedom of the Press.

Or

- (b) What is the law of defamation? List the precautions that journalists need to take to avoid defamation cases.
2. (a) Discuss the various criticisms levied against how women are represented in contemporary advertising.

Or

- (b) Explain pornography-related laws in India.
3. (a) What is hate speech and what are its implications on journalism?

Or

- (b) What are the laws related to media coverage of violence and inflammatory writing in our country?

Part B

4. (a) What are ethical concerns pertaining to sting operations? Discuss the PCI guidelines to be kept in mind by journalists while conducting a sting operation.

Or

- (b) What are the ethical issues and challenges that broadcast journalists face during Live reporting? Explain by citing relevant examples.
5. (a) Explain the provisions of the Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act. What are some of the drawbacks in this Act?

Or

- (b) Discuss the areas of ethical concern pertaining to news reportage by the media in the present era. Explain whether self-regulation is the best option for regulating the media?
6. (a) Critically examine the media reportage and representation of marginalised groups in the country.