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Course	: BAJMC(Hons.)	Date	: /02/2026
Subject Code	: BAJMCMJ-302	Time	: 11:30am to 01:45pm
Subject Name	: Media Laws and Ethics	Duration	: 02.15 Hours
		Max. Marks	: 70

Q -1 Discuss the Freedom of Speech and Expression under Article 19(1)(a) of the Indian Constitution. **14**

OR

Explain the reasonable restrictions on the Freedom of Media as per the Constitution.

Q -2 Explain the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 and its implications for journalists. **14**

OR

Discuss the Official Secrets Act, 1923 and the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005.

Q -3 Explain the Copyright Act and the concept of 'Fair Use' in the context of media. **14**

OR

What are Media Ethics? Discuss the code of conduct prescribed by the Press Council of India.

Q-4 Write Short Notes (Any Two) **14**

1. Prasar Bharati Act
2. Right to Privacy
3. Censorship in India
4. Investigative Journalism vs. Ethics

Q 5 Choose the correct option and write the answer. **14**

- 1 Which Article of the Indian Constitution guarantees Freedom of Speech?
(A) Article 14 (B) Article 19 (C) Article 21 (D) Article 32
- 2 'Libel' refers to defamation in which form?
(A) Spoken (B) Written/Permanent (C) Gestures (D) None
- 3 In which year was the Right to Information (RTI) Act enacted?
(A) 2000 (B) 2005 (C) 2010 (D) 1995
- 4 The Press Council of India is a:
(A) Private Body (B) Statutory Body (C) NGO (D) International Body
- 5 Prasar Bharati is an autonomous body that includes:
(A) AIR (B) Doordarshan (C) Both A & B (D) Private Channels
- 6 Which software is widely used for newspaper page layout?
(A) MS Word (B) Adobe InDesign/QuarkXPress (C) Tally (D) PowerPoint
- 7 Digital Journalism is also known as:
(A) Print Media (B) Online Journalism (C) Oral Media (D) Folk Media
