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**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**

B.A./BBA/B.Com LL.B. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2022

**INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES**

**PAPER CODE: EC03**

Time Allotted: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 100

*Questions are of equal value.*

**Answer Question No. 7 and any *four* from the rest**

1. Define Statutes. What are the various types of Statute? What is meant by the term “Interpretation of Statute”? 2+8+10
2. Discuss and illustrate the golden rule as applied to the interpretation of Statutes. Explain its advantages over the Literal rule of interpretation. 20
3. Critically examine the internal aids to the interpretation of statutes with the help of suitable judicial pronouncements. 20
4. Discuss with the help of decided cases the rules relating to: 10+10
  - (a) Harmonious construction of interpretation.
  - (b) Mischief rule of interpretation.
5. Discuss the doctrines of:
  - (a) Pith and Substance.
  - (b) Colourable Legislation.
6. Explain how Bentham’s Utilitarian Theory helps in drafting of legislation. 20
7. Write short notes on any *four* of the following: 5×4 = 20
  - (a) Welfare legislation
  - (b) Delegatus non potest delegare
  - (c) Noscitur a sociis
  - (d) External Rules of interpretation of statute
  - (e) Doctrine of repugnancy
  - (f) Presumption.

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