

**GUJARAT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY  
GANDHINAGAR**

Course: **Constitutional Law I (Articles 1 to 51A)**  
Semester-III (Batch: 2016-2021)

Mid Semester Test: August- 2017

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2017

Duration: 2 hours

Max. Marks: 30

**Instructions:**

- Read the questions properly and write the answers in the given answer book.
- The respective marks for each question are indicated in-line.
- Do not write any thing on the question paper.
- Indicate correct question numbers in front of the answers.
- No questions or clarifications can be sought during the exam period, answer as it is, giving reason, if any.
- Bare Act of Constitution of India is not allowed.

Answer **any three** of the following questions:

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| Q.1 | Discuss the source and scope of government's power to cede its territory and the power to acquire the territory of other nation. Explain the process of assimilation of foreign territory into the Union of India citing past precedents.  | (4+6<br>=10) |
| Q.2 | Discuss the constitutional provisions regarding acquisition of Citizenship at the time of commencement of the Constitution.  | (10)         |
| Q.3 | “The definition of the State as contained in Article 12 is inclusive and not conclusive. The net of Article 12 has been expanded by ‘progressive’ judicial thinking, so as to include within its ken several instrumentalities and agencies performing State function or entrusted with State action...Wide expansion but how far wide? Should such wide expansion be not subject to certain wise limitation? True, the width of expansion and the wisdom of limitations both have to be spelled out from Article 12 itself and the fundamentals of constitutional jurisprudence”. In light of this statement, evaluate the role of judiciary in expanding the meaning of ‘State’ in Article 12 of the Constitution. | (10)         |
| Q.4 | Explain the following:<br>a) Doctrine of Eclipse<br>b) Doctrine of Severability  | (5+5<br>=10) |

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