GUJARAT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY GANDHINAGAR

Course: Constitutional Law-I (Articles 1 to 51A) Semester-III (Batch: 2014-19)

Mid Semester Test: August-2015

Date: 18th August, 2015 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 is not allowed.

Answer any three of the following questions.

Marks (3x10= 30)

- Q.1 Explain with the help of constitutional provisions and supreme court judgements, how the below mentioned territories which were earlier the foreign establishments or sovereign states were incorporated into the Union of India?
 - Chandernagore
 - Pondicherry
 - Sikkim-
- Q.2 Explain the meaning and importance of the Preamble of the Constitution. Can Preamble be considered as a source of any substantive power or limitations?
- Q.3 The range and scope of Article 14 and consequently Article 16 have widened by a process of judicial interpretation so that the right to equality now not only means the right not to be discriminated against but also protection against any arbitrary or irrational act of the State. Keeping pace with this broad approach to the concept of equality under Article 14 and 16, Courts have whenever possible, sought to curb an arbitrary exercise of power against individuals by 'centers of power', and there was correspondingly an expansion in the judicial definition of 'State' in Article 12". Evaluate the role of the judiciary in expanding the term "other authority" in Article 12 of the Indian Constitution.
- Q.4 Write short notes on the following:
 - (a) Citizenship by domicile.
 - (b) Unique blend of flexibility and rigidity as an essential feature of Indian Constitution.
