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GUJARAT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY GANDHINAGAR

Course: Law of Copyright
Semester-II (Batch: 2013-14)
End Term LL.M. Examination: May-June 2014

Date: 30th May, 2014 Duration: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

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.

Answer any 7 Questions:

Marks (7x10 =70)

- Q.1 Eastern Book Company filed a suit against Thomson Reuters Corporation as well as Reed Elsevier Corporation for infringing their copyright of their Law Reporter-Supreme Court Cases (SCC) through their website www.lexisnexis.com. Discuss with case laws these issues relating to Copyright over the judgments of the Supreme Court based on this case.
- Q.2 Critically examine the decision given by the High Court of Delhi in NDTV Ltd vs. ICC Development. Do you agree that when footages are used along with commercial advertisements they infringe the rights of the broadcaster? Explain.
- Q.3 What do you mean by the 'work of joint authorship' under the Copyright Act? Examine the test laid out by the court in the case of Najma Heptulla vs Orient Longman Ltd to identify the 'work of joint authorship'.
- Q.4 What is 'infringing copy' under Copyright Act? Discuss with case-laws the interpretation given to exhaustion-rights under Copyright Act. Do you think it is in consonance with the intention of the Statute?
- Q.5 Elucidate with case-laws the anomalies created by Section 52(1)(j)[Provisions relating to version recording prior to 2012 Amendment] in the case of statutory licensing of musical works. Examine how it has been impacted in the 2012 Amendment of the Copyright Act.
- Q.6 In the light of the decision of Alberta (Education) v. Canadian Copyright Licensing Agency examine the arguments of the plaintiff in Oxford University Press vs. Rameshwari Photocopy Service (Delhi University Photocopy Case).
- Q.7 Explain the test laid down by the court in R.G Anand vs. M/S Deluxe films. Do you think that this test is adequate to protect the 'expression of an idea'?
- Q.8 Explain using case-laws 'fair use' provision for library and education under the Copyright Act. Examine the Amendments made in Section 52 of the Copyright Act.
- Q.9 What do you mean by 'moral rights'? Explain how far these rights of the performers have been protected under the Copyright Act.
