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**First Semester M.C.J. Degree Examination, December 2006**  
**CJ 102 : MEDIA LAWS AND ETHICS**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

*Instruction: Answer question VII and four others.*

- I. Briefly describe the historical perspective of media laws in India. 15
  - II. What is defamation ? What precautions should an editor take to avoid libel ? 15
  - III. Why should a journalist familiarise himself with the media laws in his country ? 15
  - IV. The Official Secrets Act is the major hurdle to investigative journalism in India.  
Comment. 15
  - V. The chapter on fundamental rights in the constitution of India, is one of the greatest charters of liberty. Discuss. 15
  - VI. In your view, what are the major difficulties faced by broadcast media, when laws governing print media ? 15
  - VII. Write short notes on **any five** of these : 20
    - a) Right to Information
    - b) Code of Ethics for Media Men
    - c) Newspaper Ombudsman
    - d) Press Council of India
    - e) Wage Boards
    - f) Contempt of Court
    - g) Video Piracy.
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