MASTER OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW (MIPL)

Term-End Examination

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MIR-033: TRADEMARK, PASSING OFF AND GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS

Time: 2 hours

Maximum Marks: 50

Note: This paper is divided into **two** parts, Part A and Part B. Both the parts are **compulsory**.

PART A

Attempt all the questions from this part. Each question carries 2 marks. 10×2=20

- 1. Descriptive marks are not protected because
 - (a) They need too much documentation
 - (b) They are not distinctive enough
 - (c) They are too distinctive
 - (d) They are invented

- 2. Which section of the Trademarks Act, 1999 deals with the relative grounds for refusal of registration of Trademark?
 - (a) Section 10
 - (b) Section 11
 - (c) Section 12
 - (d) Section 9

3. What is brand parity?

- (a) When one brand has unreasonably better brand value than the others
- (b) When brands compete with each other and bring down the prices
- (c) When brands in the same category are very similar
- (d) When brands in the same category are very different

4. Texmati is the name of

- (a) A trademark over Basmati rice in the U.S.
- (b) A trademark over Basmati rice in India
- (c) A copyright over the Basmati genome in the U.S.
- (d) A copyright over the Basmati genome in India

- 5. Domain names can be classified as property when
 - (a) they are publicly administered on a territorial basis and give rise to rights that are exercisable only within the territory concerned.
 - (b) a legitimate claim to exclusivity can be established.
 - (c) technology vests a new domain name with value.
 - (d) they can be identified as a source provider for goods and services.
- **6.** Domain names disputes are implemented by the ICANN through
 - (a) UDRP
 - (b) NIE
 - (c) NIS
 - (d) ACPA
- 7. Under which law are Company Logos protected?
 - (a) Patents
 - (b) Design
 - (c) Trademarks
 - (d) Copyright

- **8.** A product's market efficiency is greater when a brand is
 - (a) Generic
 - (b) Local with co-ordinate offices internationally
 - (c) National with international branches
 - (d) Standardised and international
- 9. Associations in India can hold
 - (a) No trademarks
 - (b) Trademarks only through individuals
 - (c) Collective trademarks, held through the association itself
 - (d) None of the above
- 10. In cases where the products are completely different and the names are same/similar, trademarks
 - (a) Can be denied in some cases
 - (b) Can never be denied
 - (c) Are to be denied in all cases
 - (d) None of the above

PART B

Attempt any **three** questions from this part. Each question carries 10 marks. 3×10=30

- **11.** Define Trademarks. Discuss trademark as a marketing intangible.
- **12.** Define genericized trademark. Discuss in detail the generising of a trademark.
- 13. Discuss the relative grounds for refusal of registration of trademarks under Trademarks Act, 1999.
- 14. What are certification trademarks? Do certification trademarks offer adequate protection to geographical indications?
- 15. Discuss Civil remedies for infringement of trademark.