

Important MCQs on Indian Contract Act

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MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

1. Who is a principal in the context of agency law?

- a) The person who acts on behalf of another
- b) The person for whom the agent acts
- c) A third party involved in the agency relationship
- d) The government authority overseeing agency agreements

2. In a bailment, the person who delivers the goods is known as the:

- a) Bailor
- b) Bailee
- c) Trustee
- d) Holder

3. What is the meaning of “specific lien” in lien law?

- a) A lien that applies to all the assets of the debtor
- b) A lien that arises due to a judgment by the court
- c) A lien that applies only to a particular property or asset
- d) A lien that is applicable only in certain Indian states

4. Which type of agency arises when the agent has authority to represent the principal in specific, predefined matters?

- a) Express agency
- b) Implied agency
- c) Apparent agency
- d) Gratuitous agency

5. In agency law, ostensible authority refers to:

- a) The actual authority explicitly given by the principal to the agent.
- b) The authority that arises from the conduct of the principal and the agent.
- c) The authority given to the agent by a third party.
- d) The authority that exists only in emergencies or unforeseen situations.

6. Which type of bailment involves a reward or payment for the bailee's services?

- a) Gratuitous bailment
- b) Bailment for hire
- c) Bailment by necessity
- d) Pledge

7. What distinguishes a possessory lien from a non-possessory lien?

- a) Possessory lien does not require a court order to be effective.
- b) Non-possessory lien grants the right to possess the debtor's property.
- c) Possessory lien arises only in cases of mortgages.
- d) Non-possessory lien is applicable only to tangible assets.

8. When an agent exceeds their authority and the principal ratifies the unauthorized act, it becomes:

- a) An implied agency
- b) An undisclosed agency
- c) An agency by estoppel
- d) A gratuitous agency

9. A bank holding a lien on a property until the mortgage is fully paid is an example of:

- a) Particular lien
- b) General lien
- c) Equitable lien
- d) Statutory lien

10. Which of the following is a way in which agency relationships can be created?

- a) Novation
- b) Waiver

- c) Ratification
- d) Covenant

11. Which section of the Indian Contract Act defines “consideration”?

- a) Section 2(a)
- b) Section 2(b)
- c) Section 2(d)
- d) Section 2(f)

12. What is “privity of contract” as per the Indian Contract Act?

- a) Only parties to the contract can sue each other
- b) Third parties can sue if they are affected by the contract
- c) Only courts can resolve contract disputes
- d) Contracts are private documents and cannot be disclosed

13. What does “free consent” mean in the context of the Indian Contract Act?

- a) Consent given voluntarily without coercion, undue influence, fraud, misrepresentation, or mistake
- b) Consent given only in the presence of witnesses
- c) Consent given after signing a legal document
- d) Consent given in exchange for something valuable

14. What is the legal status of a contract where one party has entered into it under coercion?

- a) Void
- b) Voidable
- c) Enforceable
- d) Void ab initio

15. What is the legal status of an agreement without consideration according to the Indian Contract Act?

- a) Valid
- b) Void
- c) Voidable

d) None of the Above

16. Which section of the Indian Contract Act deals with the “anticipatory breach of contract”?

- a) Section 39
- b) Section 73
- c) Section 41
- d) Section 75

17. What is the difference between a “void” contract and a “voidable” contract?

- a) A void contract is unenforceable, while a voidable contract can be made unenforceable by one party
- b) A voidable contract is unenforceable, while a void contract can be made enforceable by agreement
- c) A void contract is illegal, while a voidable contract is enforceable
- d) A voidable contract is enforceable, while a void contract is uncertain

18. What is an “executory contract” under the Indian Contract Act?

- a) A contract that has been fully performed by both parties
- b) A contract where one party has fulfilled their obligations, but the other has not
- c) A contract where both parties have yet to perform their obligations
- d) A contract that has been terminated

19. What is the meaning of “specific performance” in the context of the Indian Contract Act?

- a) An order from a court to perform a contract as agreed
- b) A demand for compensation for breach of contract
- c) The completion of a contract according to its terms
- d) The transfer of contract rights to a third party

20. Which section of the Indian Contract Act governs the “communication of acceptance”?

- a) Section 4
- b) Section 7

- c) Section 10
- d) Section 9

ANSWERS

- 1. b
- 2. a
- 3. c
- 4. a
- 5. a
- 6. b
- 7. b
- 8. c
- 9. a
- 10. c
- 11. c
- 12. a
- 13. a
- 14. b
- 15. b
- 16. a
- 17. a
- 18. c
- 19. a
- 20. a

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