

**FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING MAIN TOPICS OF
PROGRAMME NO. 12/2015 (Item No. 32)**

LEGAL OFFICER

KERALA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(CATEGORY Nos. 435/2014)

Part I - General Knowledge and Current Affairs

Salient Features of Indian Constitution

Salient features of the Constitution - Preamble- Its significance and its place in the interpretation of the Constitution.

Fundamental Rights - Directive Principles of State Policy - Relation between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles - Fundamental Duties.

Executive - Legislature - Judiciary - Both at Union and State Level. - Other Constitutional Authorities.

Centre-State Relations - Legislative - Administrative and Financial.

Services under the Union and the States.

Emergency Provisions.

Amendment Provisions of the Constitution.

Social Welfare Legislations and Programmes

Social Service Legislations like Right to Information Act, Prevention of atrocities against

Women & Children, Food Security Act, Environmental Acts etc. and Social Welfare Programmes like Employment Guarantee Programme, Organ and Blood Donation etc.

RENAISSANCE IN KERALA

Towards A New Society

Introduction to English education - various missionary organisations and their functioning- founding of educational institutions, factories, printing press etc.

Efforts To Reform The Society

(A) Socio-Religious reform Movements

SNDP Yogam, Nair Service Society, Yogakshema Sabha, Sadhu Jana Paripalana Sangham, Vaala Samudaya Parishkarani Sabha, Samathwa Samajam, Islam Dharma Paripalana Sangham, Prathyaksha Raksha Daiva Sabha, Sahodara Prasthanam etc.

(B) Struggles and Social Revolts

Upper cloth revolts. Channar agitation, Vaikom Sathyagraha, Guruvayoor Sathyagraha, Paliyam Sathyagraha. Kuttamkulam Sathyagraha, Temple Entry Proclamation, Temple Entry Act. Malyalee Memorial, Ezhava Memorial etc.

Malabar riots, Civil Disobedience Movement, Abstention movement etc.

Role Of Press In Renaissance

Malayalee, Swadeshabhimani, Vivekodayam, Mithavadi, Swaraj, Malayala Manorama, Bhashaposhini, Mathnubhoomi, Kerala Kaumudi, Samadarsi, Kesari, Al-Ameen, Prabhatham, Yukthivadi, etc

Awakening Through Literature

Novel, Drama, Poetry, *Purogamana Sahithya Prasthanam, Nataka Prashtanam*, Library movement etc

Women And Social Change

Parvathi Nenmenimangalam, Arya Pallam, A V Kuttimalu Amma, Lalitha Prabhu. Akkamma Cheriyan, Anna Chandi, Lalithambika Antharjanam and others

Leaders Of Renaissance

Thycaud Ayya Vaikundar, Sree Narayana Guru, Ayyan Kali. Chattampi Swamikal, Brahmananda Sivayogi, Vagbhadananda, Poikayil Yohannan (Kumara Guru) Dr Palpu, Palakkunnath Abraham Malpan, Mampuram Thangal, Sahodaran Ayyappan, Pandit K P Karuppan, Pampadi John Joseph, Mannathu Padmanabhan, V T Bhattathirippad, Vakkom Abdul Khadar Maulavi, Makthi Thangal, Blessed Elias Kuriakose Chaavra, Barrister G P Pillai, TK Madhavan, Moorkoth Kumaran, C. Krishnan, K P Kesava Menon, Dr. Ayyathan Gopalan, C V Kunjuraman, Kuroor Neelakantan Namboothiripad, Velukkutty Arayan, K P Vellon, P K Chathan Master, K Kelappan, P. Krishna Pillai, A K Gopalan, T R Krishnaswami Iyer, C Kesavan. Swami Ananda Theerthan, M C Joseph, Kuttippuzha Krishnapillai and others

Literary Figures

Kodungallur Kunhikkuttan Thampuram, KeralaVarma Valiyakoyi Thampuram, Kandathil Varghese Mappila. Kumaran Asan, Vallathol Narayana Menon, Ulloor S Parameswara Iyer, G Sankara Kurup, Changampuzha Krishna Pillai, Chandu Menon, Vaikom Muhammad Basheer. Kesav Dev, Thakazhi Sivasankara Pillai, Ponkunnam Varky, S K Pottakkad and others

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE AND CURRENT AFFAIRS

General Knowledge and Current Affairs

Part II - Constitution Of India

Salient features of the Constitution – Preamble – Its significance and its place in the interpretation of the Constitution.

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Part III - General English

Grammar - Agreement of Subject and Verb - Confusing Adjectives and Adverbs - Comparison of Adjectives - Correct usage of Articles – Prepositions - Direct and Indirect Speech - Active and Passive Voice - Correction in Sentences –Etc. Vocabulary – Gender - Singular and Plural – Synonyms – Antonyms - One word Substitutes - Problem concerning Words - Idioms and their meanings – Etc.

Part IV - Law

Module I

Jurisprudence

Nature and concept of Law – Schools of Jurisprudence – Administration of Justice – Theories of Punishment – Sources of Law – Basic Legal Concepts : Legal Personality, Ownership, Possession, Titles, Liability, Rights and Duties

International Law

Sources – Nature and definition of International Law – State Recognition and State succession – The United Nations, its objectives, purposes and principal organs – Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR 1948) – International Covenants of 1966 – Protection of Human Rights – Initiatives of United Nations (UN)

Module II : Interpretation of Statues and Administrative Law

Interpretation of Statues

Methods of Interpretation – Literal Rule – Logical Rule – Golden Rule – Mischief Rule – Intrinsic and Extrinsic Aids of Interpretation – Subsidiary Rules – Ejusdem Generis – Noscitur a Sociis – Reddendo Singula Singulis etc. – Mandatory & Directory Provisions in Statutes – Theory of Utility

Administrative Law

Definition and Scope – Growth of Administrative Law – Rule of Law – Separation of powers – Classification of Administrative Actions – Administrative Discretion – Control over administrative rule making – Natural Justice – Judicial Review of Administrative Action – Public Interest Litigation – Privileges, immunities and Liabilities of Administration – Statutory and Non-Statutory Public Undertakings – Ombudsman – Constitutional protection to the civil servants – Right to Information Act, 2005.

Module III : Law of Procedure

Civil Procedure Code, 1908

Definitions – Civil Courts – Res Subjudice – Res Judicata – Suits of Civil Nature – Pleadings – Special Suits – Appeal – Second Appeal – Reference – Review – Revision – Inherent Power – Execution – Caveat – Law of Limitation

Criminal Procedure Code, 1973

Definitions – Arrest, Search and Seizure – Investigation, Inquiry, Trial, Discharge – Hierarchy of Courts – Cognizance of Offences – Commencement of Judicial Proceedings – Bail – Judgement – Appeal – Reference – Revision – Transfer of Cases – Inherent Powers – Preventive Measures – Maintenance of Wife / Children / Parents – Probation of Offenders Act, 1958 – Juvenile Justice Act, 2000

Law of Evidence

Indian Evidence Act, 1872 – Definition – Relevancy of Facts – Admissions and Concessions – Dying Declaration – Opinion and character evidence – Judicial Notice – Oral Evidence – Documentary Evidence – Electronic Evidence – Burden of Proof – Estoppel – Competency of witnesses – Examination of witnesses

Module IV : Family Law

Hindu, Christian and Muslim

Concept of Marriage – Theory of Divorce – Nullity of marriage – Judicial Separation – Family Courts – Guardianship and custody – Adoption – Maintenance – Partition – Succession – Endowments – Wakfs

Module V : Law of Torts and Crimes

Torts

Nature and Definition – Tortious Liability – No fault Liability – Vicarious Liability – Joint Tort Feasors – Negligence – Defamation – Conspiracy – Nuisance – False imprisonment – Malicious prosecution

Crimes

Criminal Liability – Mens rea – Actus reus – Inchoate Crimes – Sedition – General Defences – Joint and Constructive Liability – Offences against person – Offences against property – Misappropriation – Criminal breach of trust – Defamation – Cyber Crimes (Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Information Technology Act, 2000)

Module VI : Business Law

Law of Contract

Indian Contract Act, 1872 – Definitions – Basic Element of Contracts – Factors vitiating consent – Performance of contract – Discharge of Contract – Modes of Discharge – Remedies for breach – Void, Voidable, illegal and unenforceable agreement – Quasi Contracts – Specific Contracts Like Indemnity , Guarantee, Bailment, Pledge, Agency – Negotiable Instruments Act, 1882 – Sale of Goods Act, 1930 – Partnership Act, 1932 – Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008

Company Law

Companies Act, 1956 – Definition and Features of Registered Company – Government Company – Statutory Company – Foreign Company – Private Limited Company – Public Limited Company – Memorandum of Association – Articles of Association – Prospectus – Shares – Directors – Meetings – Dividends – Account and Audit – Borrowing – Lending – Debentures – Reconstruction and Amalgamations – Buy Back of Shares – Winding up – SEBI Act, 1992 – RBI Act, 1934 – Banking Regulation Act, 1949 – The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

Module VII : Transfer of Property

Transfer of Property Act, 1882

Definitions – Property that cannot be transferred – General Principles of Transfer – vested and contingent interest – Conditional Transfer – Undivided Ownership – Specific transfers like Sale, Gift, Mortgage, Lease, Charge, Exchange, Actionable claims – Rights and Duties of the Parties to such transfers, Law of Limitation, Interpretation of Statutes, General Clauses Act.

NOTE: - It may be noted that apart from the topics detailed above, questions from other topics prescribed for the educational qualification of the post may also appear in the question paper. There is no undertaking that all the topics above may be covered in the question paper.