H.P BOARD OF DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION FOR IAS/HAS OFFICERS OF HIMACHAL PRADESH.

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PAPER-11: MINOR REVENUE ACTS AND MANUALS

TIME ALLOWED: 3HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS:100

NOTE: 1) Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

2) Bare Acts, Rules and Manuals can be consulted.

3) Quote relevant provisions of Acts, rules manuals to support answers.

Q.No.1

- (a) What is the importance of inspections of various branches of Tehsil and Sub Divisional offices. At what intervals should inspections take place?
 - (b) What is the role of Collector in the administration?
 - Is land revenue a tax? Comment.

(8+8+4=20)

Q.No.2

- (a) What are the standing orders? What are their importance? How the situation is dealt with when there is conflict between standing orders and provisions of law or ruling?
- (b) How are Revenue Officers and Revenue Court distinguished?
- ©How Collector deals with a situation when any instrument chargeable with duty and not duly stamped occasioned by accident, mistake or urgent necessity is produced before him? (7+7+6=20)

Q.No.3

(a) How can service of summons issued by Revenue Officer is made in a case of i)Service of summons within India.

ii)Service of summons in foreign territory.

- iii)Service in which military officers or personnel are concerned.
- (b) How does registering officer deal with a document in a language not understood by him? (12+8=20)

Q.No.4

- (a) What are the recent developments in the field of land acquisitions for public and allied purposes by the government? What are the salient features in relation to Land Acquisition Act, 1894?
- (b)Is Acquisition Officer an agent of government or judicial officer? Comment.
- ©Explain the role of private negotiations for acquiring lands for public purposes under Land Acquisition Act. (8+6+6=20)

Q.No.5

- (a) What is the effect of non registration of documents required to be registered? Is Will Compulsorily registrable document?
- (b) What is compromise? Comment if decree based upon compromise requires registration? Are compromise deeds/documents admissible in the Court of Law as piece of evidence if not registered?
- ©Who are the persons authorized to present documents for registration? What kind of Power of Attorney recognizable for presenting documents for registration?

(7+7+6=20)

Q.No.6

- (a) What are the subsequent amendments in the H.P. Ceiling on Land Holdings Act, 1872, in relation to 'tea estates' and what are its impacts?
- (b) How is the surplus land disposed of by the government
- ©Ceiling on Land Holdings is an important piece of legislation in the direction of Land Reforms. Comment.

(8+6+6=20)

Q.No.7

- (a) Under what provisions the land vested under H.P Village Common Land Vesting and Utilization Act, 1972 utilized for development purposes? What are the restrictions imposed as a result of recent decisions of High Court of H.P and what section of the Act is effected by the decision?
- (b) What are the restriction imposed on the lands reversed back to co- sharers under HP Village Common Land Vesting and Utilization Act, 1972?
- ©How encroachments on Shamlat Lands or the land vested in the State Government under Act are dealt with?

(8+6+6=20)