

PRINCIPLES OF LAW I – PAPER 2**1.0 General Performance**

- Performance was good; the pass rate was approximately 81% up from 70.49% in the December 2010 sitting.

2.0 PERFORMANCE IN INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS**2.1 Question 1:**

- This was a multiple choice question where candidates were required to choose the correct answer. This was very well answered; most candidates scored 20 marks and above out of 30. A few candidates though left some multiple questions unanswered. Better scores in this question led to the overall better performance of the entire paper.

2.2 Question 2:

- This was a problem question about the law of contract where candidates were required to: (a) raise issues and advise the parties involved, and (b) were give an exception where a money lender can recover money lent to an infant.
- Many candidates attempted the question but only a few of them scored above an average of 10 marks. It most candidates did not either understand the question or had not covered this part of the syllabus .The overall performance, therefore, was not good; candidates failed to raise the issues involved and hence had nothing to resolve.
- Most of candidates merely reproduced the facts of the case. as put in the problem, and most of them only attempted to advise the parties.
- Part (b) was particularly poorly answered; most of those who attempted it got less than 3 out of the 5 marks allocated.

2.3 Question 3:

- This was another problem question concerning formation of a company that was to acquire property before its registration. It required candidates to: (a) advise the parties on how they can acquire the property before registration of a company; (b) (i) list the documents that should be filed with the registrar of companies for incorporation of a company and (ii) explain purposes that the documents serve.
- The majority of the candidates did not perform well; many did not know what advice to give. The candidates who attempted to answer this part got less than 8 out the 16 marks allocated.
- In part (b) most of the candidates did well as they listed the documents required and got at least 3 marks out of 4.

2.4 Question 4:

- This was also a problem question on partnerships where candidates were required to raise issues and advise parties.
- Part (b) required candidates to give four types of illegal partnerships.
- The overall performance was not good as nobody scored above 12 marks out of 20.
- Majority of the candidates failed to raise issues and advise the parties.
- A few candidates tried their best to give the types of illegal partnerships and scored averagely. Candidates did not generally appreciate how to raise issues in a problem question and failure to raise issues leads to failure in resolving them as there was nothing to resolve.

2.5 Question 5:

- This was an essay question that required candidates to discuss the main ways in which an offer can be terminated.
- It was attempted by almost all the candidates
- It was generally well answered; most candidates scored 6 out of the 10 marks allocated.
- No major weaknesses were observed.

2.4 Question 6:

- This was another essay question requiring candidates to enumerate the rights and duties of partners amongst themselves.
- It was attempted by majority of the candidates and was fairly answered as most of them scored more than 6 marks out of 10.

2.5 Question 7:

- This was an essay question requiring candidates to explain how agency is created and terminated.
- It was attempted by the majority of the candidates
It was generally well answered as most of the candidates scored 8 out of 10 marks

2.8 Question 8

- This was another essay question requiring candidates to explain the advantages that private companies have over public companies
- The question was attempted by about a half of the candidates and they scored averagely; most candidates scored 5 and above marks.