

**DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION
NALSAR UNIVERSITY OF LAW, HYDERABAD**

M.A. (Animal Protection Laws)

Academic Year: 2022-2023

Fourth Semester - End Semester Examination (June, 2023)

Paper II - 2.4.12. Animal Legal Personhood

Duration of the Examination: 2 ½ hours

Total Marks : 70 marks

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- a) Read the instructions carefully and adhere to the same.
 - b) Please mention your DDE ID No., date of the exam, name of the programme & subject on the Answer Sheet and the Additional Answer Sheets, if any.
 - c) The questions to be interpreted as given and no clarification can be sought from the Invigilator.
 - d) Clearly indicate the question numbers while answering them. Answers without question numbers / wrong question numbers will not be evaluated.
 - e) Write the answers clearly and neatly. Answers in illegible handwriting will not be taken into consideration.
 - f) Candidates are prohibited to carry phones or any other electronic devices, books, material etc. in the Examination Hall.
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Q. 1 What is the status of animals in terms of legal protection in India? Elucidate on the role and potential of legislature, executive and judiciary in protecting the animals?
1500 Words, 30 Marks

Q. 2 Define “personhood” and its scope in the legal sphere so far? Discuss and provide your take on the potential of this concept in the Movement for Animals?
750 Words, 15 Marks

Q.3 Critically analyze the Nagaraja Verdict. Is there any alternative approach you would suggest? Substantiate your answer with explanations, arguments and examples.
750 Words, 15 Marks

Q.4 Write a short-note on any TWO of the following in 150 words.
(2x5 Marks = 10 Marks)

- A.** Rights and Duty dichotomy in personhood
- B.** Concept of Living Property
- C.** Vulnerability and personhood
- D.** Anthropocentrism in recognition of animals