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PREFACE

The University of Madras has introduced 'Corporate Laws' as a paper for the first year M.Com. Students.

There are ten Acts in the syllabus for Corporate Laws as mentioned below:

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India Act
- 2. The Competition Act
- 3. The Foreign Exchange Management Act
- 4. The Information Technology Act
- 5. The Patents Act
- 6. The Copyrights Act
- 7. The Trade and Merchandise Marks Act
- 8. The Environment Protection Act
 - 9. The Consumer Protection Act
 - 10. The MRTP Act

In the absence of a text book incorporating all the above mentioned Acts, the students have to rely only on Bare Acts.

Students may also find it difficult to prepare notes directly from the Bare Acts in view of the difficult legal language used.

The author has, therefore, made an earnest attempt to bring out a book incorporating the syllabus for Corporate Laws in the interest of the student community.

The important provisions of the various Acts have been presented in simple language.

The book has been prepared keeping in mind the examination needs of the students.

Model question papers and past University question papers have been given for the benefit of the students.

The Author is sure that the Professors handling Corporate Laws and the students would find the book useful and handy.

Suggestions for the improvement of the book are quite welcome.

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Chapter 1

The Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992

The object of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 is to provide for the establishment of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) in order to protect the interests of the investors in securities.

The SEBI further strives to promote the development of the securities market and to regulate its functioning.

The Act extends to the whole of India.

Establishment of the SEBI

The SEBI is established under Section 3 of the Act. It is a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal. It has powers to hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and to contract, and shall, by the said name, sue or be sued.

The head office of the Board shall be at Mumbai. It may establish offices at other places in India.

Management of the Board (Section 4)

The Board consists of the following members:

- (a) A Chairman;
- (b) Two members from amongst the officials of the Ministry of the Central Govt. dealing with Finance and administration of the Companies Act, 1956:
- (c) One member from amongst the officials of the Reserve Bank;
- (d) Five other members of whom at least three shall be the whole-time members to be appointed by the Central Govt.

The Chairman and other members of the Board shall be persons of ability, integrity and standing who have shown capacity in dealing with problems relating to securities market or have special knowledge or experience of law, finance, economics, accountancy, administration or in any other discipline which, in the opinion of the Central Govt. shall be useful to the Board.