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Self-Study Preparation Pack

CS EXECUTIVE

Paper 1: Jurisprudence, Interpretation and General Laws (JIGL)

Past Papers – Trend Analysis, Question Patterns & Official Links

Based on the ICSI Executive Programme papers of Dec 2024, June 2025, Dec 2025 and June 2026 (Syllabus 2022, subject code 521). Questions are summarised, not reproduced – download the official PDFs from the links below.

Official papers only | Paper structure | Case-study and descriptive trends | Answer patterns

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This subject pack has 6 parts

1 Chapter-wise notes
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4 Mock tests + solutions
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6 Last-week plan & strategy

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1. Structure of the paper (same in all four papers)

Part	Questions	Marks
Q1	Case study or passage – (a) and (b), each with 4–5 short parts of 2–3 marks	20
Q2, Q3, Q5	Three 5-mark parts each, compulsory	45
Q4 or Q4A	Three 5-mark parts (choose one set)	15
Q6 or Q6A	Four 5-mark parts (choose one set)	20
Total	6 questions, all compulsory, 3 hours + 15 minutes' reading	100

There is no OMR or MCQ section in these papers. Every answer is written, so marks depend on quoting the right section and applying it to the facts.

2. Question-by-question trends

Paper	Q1 (case)	Q2–Q3	Q4 / Q4A	Q5	Q6 / Q6A
Dec 2024	Consideration (10); NI Act penalties and s.143A (10)	Rylands v. Fletcher; bail; limitation for possession; easement / sale; possession dispute; RTI	Municipal duty (writ); joint ventures; DPDP Act / mediation; expert opinion	Sources of admin law and rule of law; cheating / extortion; lease (TPA)	Sale of goods; conditional gift; forgery; gift with condition / precedents; patent suit; NEFT; summary trial
June 2025	Trade and commerce (Art. 19, 301); Arts. 249 and 252; harmonious construction	E-contract; cheating; ex-parte decree against a minor; mistake; restraint of trade	Mortgage / stamp (deleted lesson); cheque beyond funds; handwriting expert; habeas corpus	Information Commissioner; natural justice; Stamp Act; s.9 arbitration	Repeal (s.6 GCA); BNSS summons; petty theft; misrepresentation; frustration; joint owners; vicarious liability; Roscoe Pound; s.5 limitation; SPDI rules; s.48 foreign awards
Dec 2025	Arts. 20, 21, 22 and habeas corpus (10); offer, acceptance, revocation (10)	Municipal statute interpretation; removal of a student; strict liability; recovery of an antique; dacoity; State law on social harmony	Partners' dispute (mediation); arbitration clause; extortion by cheque / promissory note; English law as source; RTI exemptions	Digital signature services; CBT by an executor; limitation periods for five suits	Tailor's delay; banker's duty; ordinance when Parliament is prorogued; municipal elections / s.43A terms; specified value; s.9 Limitation; Arbitration Council
June 2026	s.138 dishonour case; executive order and FRs	E-mail contract; summons to a company; wager and collateral loan; certificate for a job (natural justice / estoppel); DPSP welfare policy	Data breach (DPDP); land reform statute; promissory estoppel in a lease; conditional promise	Arbitral tribunal (s.16); precedents; banker must / may refuse	s.14 Limitation; child-marriage custom; annuity and privity; biased inquiry officer; passing off; international arbitration; CBT; Art. 299; decree-holder; RTI s.24; discharge of surety

The split of June 2025 and June 2026 questions between Q2–Q6 is reconstructed from the question list and may differ from the printed paper VERIFY.

TREND How the paper is changing

1. **Case-based problems dominate** – about 80% of parts start with facts and ask you to advise.
2. **New criminal laws** – from Dec 2025, questions are framed under BNS / BNSS / BSA; quote both new and old sections.
3. **Deleted lessons** (Stamp, Registration, Sale of Goods, TPA, Specific Relief) last appeared in June 2025 – do not spend time on them.
4. **DPDP Act 2023** and **Mediation Act 2023** have each been asked – expect them again.

3. Answer pattern that scores

1. **Provision** – name the Act, section or Article (and the old section for BNS / BNSS / BSA).
2. **Facts** – apply each condition of the provision to the facts given.
3. **Case law** – one leading case where you know it (e.g. *Carlill v. Carbolic Smoke Ball*, *Maneka Gandhi*, *Rylands v. Fletcher*, *Dashrath Rathod*).
4. **Conclusion** – one clear line: valid / void, liable / not liable, remedy and forum.

4. How to use these papers

1. Download the June 2026 paper and attempt it in 3 hours.
2. Solve every Q1 from the four papers – contract, NI Act and Constitution repeat.
3. Keep one page each for writs, s.138, arbitration timelines, RTI periods and limitation periods.

5. Official ICSI papers (Paper 1, code 521)

On each session page, open "Executive Programme" and choose Paper 1 (code 521). The same pages hold Papers 2 and 3 (codes 522, 523).

Resource (ICSI official)	Link
Question papers – June 2026 session	https://www.icsi.edu/examination/previous-sessions-qps/june-2026
Question papers – December 2025 session	https://www.icsi.edu/examination/previous-sessions-qps/december-2025
Question papers – June 2025 session	https://www.icsi.edu/examination/previous-sessions-qps/june-2025
Question papers – December 2024 session	https://www.icsi.edu/examination/previous-sessions-qps/december-2024
Time table – CS examinations, December 2026	https://www.icsi.edu/media/webmodules/Examination/CS_Main_Exam_Time_Table_Dec_26.pdf
Study material – Executive Programme (Syllabus 2022)	https://www.icsi.edu/academic-portal/new-syllabus-2022/executive-programme/
Supplements for the December 2026 examination	https://www.icsi.edu/academic-portal/new-syllabus-2022/supplements2024/supplements_dec2026/
ICSI supplements page	https://www.icsi.edu/supplements

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