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# **TOPIC & SUB-TOPICS**

## **I. Constitutional & Legal Framework**

- Freedom of speech under Article 19(1)(a) and its reasonable restrictions under Article 19(2).
- Judicial interpretations of freedom of expression in the digital age.
- Right to access internet as a fundamental right (Kerala High Court & SC judgments).

## **II. Regulation of Digital Platforms**

- Role of IT Act, 2000 and amendments (including Section 66A and its striking down).
- Intermediary Guidelines & Digital Media Ethics Code, 2021.
- Liability of social media platforms for user-generated content.
- Algorithmic bias and transparency obligations.

## **III. Challenges to Freedom of Expression Online**

- Hate speech, fake news, and misinformation.
- Online censorship vs content moderation.
- Cyber bullying, trolling, and gendered online harassment.
- Surveillance and privacy concerns (Aadhaar, Pegasus, etc.).

## **IV. Balancing Rights & National Interests**

- National security vs individual freedom in cyberspace.
- Restrictions on internet shutdowns – legality and proportionality.
- Sedition law, UAPA, and their use in digital speech cases.
- Digital sovereignty vs global free speech norms.

## **V. Emerging Issues**

- AI, deepfakes, and free speech implications.
- Freedom of expression vs copyright/IP rights in digital media.
- Role of big tech companies in shaping discourse.
- Cross-border jurisdiction in digital speech offences.

## **VI. Way Forward**

- Need for a robust data protection & privacy law.
- Reform of sedition and defamation laws in the digital context.
- Balancing regulation with innovation and free expression.
- Role of civil society, academia, and judiciary in safeguarding digital rights.

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