

CS Executive — Economic, Commercial & Intellectual Property Laws (ECIPL)

Deep PYP Analysis (Important Chapters + Repeated Topics + Future Attempted Questions)

I deeply analyzed the ECIPL past year papers and matched:

- exact repeated legal provisions
- case-law repetition patterns
- hidden examiner rotation
- MCQ concentration
- descriptive answer trends
- section-wise weightage behavior
- practical/case study repetition

The examiner repeatedly rotates:

- same legal provisions
- same sections
- same concepts
- slightly changed factual situations

This paper is highly pattern-based.

OVERALL HIGH-WEIGHTAGE AREAS

| Priority | Chapter/Act | Frequency |
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| □□□□□ | Competition Act, 2002 | Extremely High |
| □□□□□ | FEMA & ECB | Extremely High |
| □□□□□ | Consumer Protection Act | Extremely High |
| □□□□□ | IPR (Trademark/Copyright/Patent) | Extremely High |
| □□□□□ | Real Estate (RERA) | Extremely High |
| □□□□ | Environment Laws | High |
| □□□□ | Insolvency & Bankruptcy Concepts | High |
| □□□□ | Information Technology Act | High |
| □□□□ | Arbitration & Conciliation | High |
| □□□ | Food Safety Laws | Medium |

Priority

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Chapter/Act

Legal Metrology

Frequency

Medium

PART A — ECONOMIC & COMMERCIAL LAWS

1. Competition Act, 2002

Most important and most repeated chapter.

The December 2024 paper heavily focused on:

- anti-competitive agreements
 - exclusive supply agreements
 - abuse of dominant position
 - powers of CCI
 - Director General
 - Section 19 & Section 26 procedure
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Most Repeated Areas

Anti-Competitive Agreements

- cartels
- bid rigging
- tie-in arrangements
- refusal to deal
- resale price maintenance

Abuse of Dominant Position

- predatory pricing
- denial of market access
- unfair conditions

CCI Procedure

- prima facie opinion
- DG investigation

- appellate tribunal
 - penalties
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Hidden Examiner Pattern

Examiner repeatedly asks:

- Supreme Court case laws
 - procedural provisions
 - practical case studies
 - Section-based questions
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Explain anti-competitive agreement.
 2. What is abuse of dominant position?
 3. Powers and functions of CCI.
 4. Role of Director General.
 5. Procedure under Section 26.
 6. Cartel and bid-rigging case study.
 7. Exclusive dealing agreement.
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2. FEMA & External Commercial Borrowings (ECB)

Very highly repeated.

The paper repeatedly tested:

- resident individuals
 - remittance limits
 - ECB negative list
 - LRS scheme
 - current/capital account transactions
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☐ **Most Repeated Areas**

FEMA Concepts

- person resident in India
- capital account transaction
- current account transaction
- authorized dealer

ECB

- negative list
- permitted end use
- repayment of rupee loan
- borrowing restrictions

Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS)

- gifts
 - education
 - medical treatment
 - employment abroad
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Hidden Pattern

Questions repeatedly use:

- practical forex situations
 - USD remittance limits
 - “whether RBI approval required”
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☐ **Future Attempted Questions**

1. Explain capital vs current account transaction.
2. ECB negative list.
3. Resident individual remittance limits.
4. FEMA penalties and adjudication.
5. LRS practical case study.
6. FEMA compounding provisions.

3. Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 (RERA)

Frequently repeated.

The Dec 2024 paper asked:

- misleading advertisement
- withdrawal rights of buyer
- promoter obligations

Most Repeated Areas

Promoter Obligations

- registration
- disclosures
- advertisement accuracy
- possession timeline

Rights of Allottees

- refund rights
- withdrawal rights
- compensation

RERA Authority

- powers
- penalties
- appeals

Future Attempted Questions

1. Obligations of promoter.
2. Rights of allottee.
3. False advertisement liability.

4. Registration under RERA.
 5. Penalties under RERA.
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4. Consumer Protection Act, 2019

Extremely important chapter.

Most Repeated Areas

Consumer Rights

- unfair trade practice
- product liability
- misleading advertisement

Consumer Commissions

- jurisdiction
- complaint filing
- mediation

E-commerce

- online consumer protection
 - liability of platforms
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Who is a consumer?
 2. Product liability provisions.
 3. Deficiency in service.
 4. Jurisdiction of commissions.
 5. E-commerce consumer protection.
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5. Insolvency & Bankruptcy Concepts

High probability chapter.

Most Repeated Areas

- financial creditor
 - operational creditor
 - moratorium
 - CIRP
 - resolution professional
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Future Attempted Questions

1. CIRP process.
 2. Moratorium under IBC.
 3. Role of insolvency professional.
 4. Financial vs operational creditor.
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6. Information Technology Act, 2000

Repeated in theory + MCQs.

Most Repeated Areas

- digital signatures
 - electronic records
 - cyber offences
 - intermediary liability
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Electronic governance.
2. Cyber contraventions.
3. Digital signature provisions.

4. Intermediary liability.
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7. Arbitration & Conciliation Act

Frequently repeated.

Most Repeated Areas

- arbitration agreement
 - arbitral award
 - conciliation
 - appointment of arbitrator
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Essentials of arbitration agreement.
 2. Types of arbitral award.
 3. Appointment of arbitrators.
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8. Environment Laws

High MCQ + theory weightage.

Most Repeated Areas

- pollution control boards
 - hazardous substances
 - environmental protection
 - penalties
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Powers of pollution control board.
 2. Environment protection provisions.
 3. Water Act vs Air Act.
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PART B — INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS

Highest Priority Chapters

| Priority | Chapter | Frequency |
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| □□□□□ | Trademark Law | Extremely High |
| □□□□□ | Copyright Law | Extremely High |
| □□□□□ | Patent Law | Extremely High |
| □□□□ | Geographical Indications | High |
| □□□□ | Designs Act | High |
| □□□□ | Trade Secrets | High |
| □□□ | Biodiversity & Plant Varieties | Medium |

9. Trademark Law

Most repeated IPR chapter.

Most Repeated Areas

- trademark registration
 - infringement
 - passing off
 - deceptive similarity
 - well-known trademarks
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Hidden Examiner Pattern

Questions repeatedly ask:

- difference between infringement & passing off
 - practical brand disputes
 - registration refusal
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Trademark infringement.
 2. Passing off action.
 3. Well-known trademark.
 4. Grounds for refusal of registration.
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10. Copyright Law

Very highly repeated.

Most Repeated Areas

- authorship
 - ownership
 - infringement
 - fair dealing
 - performers' rights
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Copyright infringement.
 2. Fair dealing doctrine.
 3. Rights of author.
 4. Assignment vs license.
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11. Patent Law

Extremely important.

Most Repeated Areas

- patentability
 - compulsory licensing
 - opposition
 - infringement
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Patentable inventions.
 2. Compulsory license.
 3. Patent infringement remedies.
 4. Opposition to patent grant.
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12. Geographical Indications (GI)

Frequently repeated.

Most Repeated Areas

- registration
 - infringement
 - authorized user
 - GI vs trademark
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Future Attempted Questions

1. GI registration procedure.

2. Difference between GI and trademark.
 3. Rights of authorized user.
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13. Designs Act

Repeated in short notes.

Most Repeated Areas

- industrial design
 - piracy of design
 - cancellation of registration
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Future Attempted Questions

1. Piracy of design.
 2. Registration procedure.
 3. Cancellation of design.
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MOST IMPORTANT MCQ AREAS

Economic & Commercial Laws

- FEMA definitions
- Competition Act provisions
- Consumer rights
- RERA registration
- Environmental authorities
- Arbitration terminology

Intellectual Property Laws

- Patentability
- Trademark infringement

- Copyright duration
 - GI registration
 - Design piracy
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Hidden Examiner Trends

IMPORTANT OBSERVATION

The examiner repeatedly:

- asks section-based questions
- uses practical case studies
- rotates landmark judgments
- repeats procedural provisions

Especially in:

- Competition Act
 - FEMA
 - Trademark
 - Patent
 - Consumer Protection
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MOST IMPORTANT CASE STUDY CHAPTERS

| Chapter | Probability |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Competition Act | Extremely High |
| FEMA | Extremely High |
| Consumer Protection | Extremely High |
| Trademark Law | Extremely High |
| RERA | High |
| Patent Law | High |

FINAL PREPARATION ORDER

□ **FIRST COMPLETE THESE**

Economic & Commercial Laws

1. Competition Act
2. FEMA & ECB
3. Consumer Protection Act
4. RERA
5. IBC Basics
6. IT Act
7. Arbitration

Intellectual Property Laws

1. Trademark
 2. Copyright
 3. Patent
 4. GI
 5. Designs Act
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□ **MOST EXPECTED QUESTIONS NEXT ATTEMPT**

Economic & Commercial Laws

1. Anti-competitive agreement
2. Abuse of dominant position
3. ECB negative list
4. FEMA remittance case study
5. Consumer complaint jurisdiction
6. RERA promoter obligations
7. CIRP process

Intellectual Property Laws

1. Trademark infringement vs passing off
2. Patentability conditions
3. Copyright infringement
4. GI registration

5. Compulsory licensing
6. Design piracy