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Staff Selection Commission
IT Section
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Subject: Warning against discussion/analysis of Question Papers of SSC Examinations under the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024 – reg.

It has come to the notice of the Commission that certain individuals discuss, analyse or circulate the contents of question papers of ongoing/held examinations conducted by the Staff Selection Commission on social media.

All such activities are strictly prohibited under the provisions of the **Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024 (PEA Act, 2024)**. The relevant provisions are as under:

1. **Section 3 – Unfair Means**
    - Prohibits leakage, disclosure, access, possession, or dissemination of question papers, answer keys, or any part thereof without authority.
2. **Section 9 – Nature of Offences**
    - All offences under the Act are **cognisable, non-bailable, and non-compoundable**.
3. **Section 10 – Penalties**
    - **Individuals**: Imprisonment of **3 to 5 years** and fine up to **₹10 lakh**.
    - **Service Providers/Institutions**: Fine up to **₹1 crore**, disqualification from future examinations, and recovery of costs.
    - **Organised Crime**: Imprisonment of **5 to 10 years** and fine of not less than **₹1 crore**.

Accordingly, all content creators, social media platforms, and individuals are hereby **warned not to indulge in discussion, analysis, or dissemination of SSC examination question papers or their contents** in any manner. Any violation will invite strict penal action under the above provisions of the PEA Act, 2024, in addition to other applicable laws.

The Commission appeals to all candidates and stakeholders to cooperate in maintaining the sanctity of examinations and to refrain from engaging with or promoting such prohibited content.

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