

PCLL CONVERSION EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2011

Title of Paper : Hong Kong Legal System
Date : 3 January 2011
Time : 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Instructions

1. Write your **candidate number** on the cover of each answer book. Do **NOT** write your name in the answer book.
2. Start each answer on a separate page of the answer book.
3. Write your answers only in the answer books provided.
4. This is a one and a half-hours examination.
5. **NO** reading time is designated for this paper.
6. This is a closed book examination.
7. This paper consists of 2 pages, including three questions. Candidates are only required to answer **TWO** questions out of three. A total of 100 marks may be awarded.
8. Each question is worth 50 marks.
9. The passing mark for this paper is 50 marks.

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Question 1

To what extent do the rules of stare decisis in Hong Kong promote or inhibit judicial law-making?

(50 marks)

Question 2

How, if at all, do the office, function and powers of the Chief Justice benefit or detract from the operation of the rule of law in Hong Kong?

(50 marks)

Question 3

‘In order to enhance both the quality of legal services and access to justice in Hong Kong, extensive reform of the legal professions is necessary’.

Discuss.

(50 marks)

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