

**CASE NO. 3**

Consider that you are a District Magistrate. One day a group of people come to you with a representation seeking a ban on a book. They argue that the book in question portrays their group in a derogatory manner and that their sentiments have been hurt immensely. They assert that if the book is not banned with immediate effect then they would launch violent protest movements and force the author to withdraw all his work.

- (i) What are the options available to you?
- (ii) Evaluate each of these options and choose the option which you would adopt, giving reasons.
- (iii) Examine the ethical tenability of freedom of speech.

(300 words - 25 marks)