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NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, JODHPUR

End Term Examination-May,2025

Semester: UG VI

Subject: Sociology III (Law and Society)

Time- Three Hours

Marks-100

Instructions:

1. Attempt any five questions
2. Follow the Examination Hall Protocol

(Q1)(A)What are the different stages of social problem solving? Explain by constructing an example.

(B) Write a short note on the following:

'Social legislations and social justice concept during British period' (Marks 12+8=20)

(Q2) (A) Explain the arguments developed by Bentham and Kant in favor of 'passive euthanasia'.

(B) Read the following situations:

Meena a rape victim wants permission of court to abort her 24-week pregnancy in the year 2024.

What is the legal position in the above-mentioned situation in India? Justify your answer with the help of MTP Amendment Act 2021.

(C) Identify and explain the type of euthanasia in the following:

Family members of 'A' (who is terminally ill patient) gave consent for withdrawal of the life supporting system -a case in India in 2024

What is the ethical- legal position of euthanasia in case mentioned above?

(Marks-8+6+6=20)

(Q3) (A)Arun and Seema aged 28 and 27 respectively, both working in multinational company were living together in a flat in Mumbai for last six years. Last January Arun left Seema and started living separately. They were also having a child born out of this relationship. Seema has left her job due to medical reasons in month of February, 2024.

Based on the above situation answer the following:

- (i) Is Seema entitle for right to maintenance?
- (ii) What is legal status of child born out of such relationship?
- (iii) What are the factors responsible for increasing trend of 'live in relationship' in Indian society?

(B)What are the socio- economic reasons for practices of witch hunting in the Indian society?
(Marks 12+8=20)

(Q4) (A) Honor killing is a means towards protecting the institution of family and caste. In the context of statement discuss the reasons for the commitment of such acts in society. Also explain the 'role of *Khap Panchayats* in honor killing' in Indian society.

(B) What are the sociological reasons for practice of child marriage in Indian society?

(Marks 12+8=20)

(Q5) (A) How do parenting style impact child socialization? Do you think state should intervene into child socialization? Support your answer with appropriate arguments.

(B) Write a short note on relation between 'law and morality'.

(Marks-12+8=20)

(Q6) (A) Ram Narayan and Sita Devi , aged 72 and 70 respectively are living in Jodhpur city. They have single daughter Nisha who is a professional doctor. Parents transferred their all property to Nisha. Now Nisha has refused to take care of both of them. Ram Kishore does not have any financial aid to hire advocate if he goes to court.

In the situation mentioned above what are the legal remedies available to Ram Naryan and Sita Devi under 'Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizen Act ,2007'?

(B) 'Law is a means to social control, but despite the presence of legal provisions social evils are institutionalized in the society; dowry is one such example'. in the context of statement discuss why law fails to curb the problem? What are the loopholes present in the Dowry Prohibition Act.1961?

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(Q1) (A) 'Social change creates the ground for the legal changes and legal changes bring the social change' How? construct an example to justify the statement.

(B) Explain the role of social legislations enacted during British period for the development of social justice concept in Indian society. (Marks-12+8=20)

(Q2) (A) What is the principle of classification between active and passive and voluntary and non-voluntary euthanasia and how it is different from physician assisted suicide? construct example to explain.

(B) Identify and explain the type of euthanasia in the following:

A lethal injection is injected by a doctor to 'P' (with prior consent of P) which result in his death-A case of Belgium in 2007

What is the ethical -legal position of Euthanasia in the case mentioned above?

(C) Read the following situations:

Rekha 27-year-old, unmarried woman wants to abort her child in the first trimester as she got pregnant due to contraceptive failure.

What is the ethical-legal position in above situation in India? Justify your answer with the help of MTP Amendment Act 2021. (Marks- 8+6+6=20)

(Q3) What is the socio-legal status of 'live in relationship' in the following cases:

(i) A and B are homosexual couples living together for last six years in France.

(ii) X and Y are heterosexual couples living together in same house in Philippines.

(iii) A two BHK flat shared by two couple PQ and RZ, homosexual and heterosexual respectively for last six years in Mumbai, India.

What are the factors responsible for emerging trends of such relationships in societies? Do you think that 'live-in relationship' will replace the institution of marriage in future societies?

Justify your answer with appropriate reasoning.

(Marks-20)

Q4) (A) What are the reasons for honor killing cases in India. How is honor, social status and customary practices related? Analyze the role of family and community in the context of honor killing. What is the legal status of such acts in India?

(B) Explain the sociological factors responsible for practice of witch-hunting in Indian society.

(Marks -12+8=20)

Q5(A) Mr Ram Kishore and Nanda Devi are a married couple aged 72 and 68 respectively living in the Jabalpur city. Ram Kishore was a businessman but now has closed down his business due to old age. Due to this he is having trouble in meeting daily expenses. His only son lives in Mumbai and working for multinational company. Son has refused to provide any financial help and care to parents. Ram Kishore has also transferred property in the name of his son few years ago and son is now refusing to give it back.

In this situation what are the legal remedies available to Ram Kishore and Nanda Devi under 'Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizen Act, 2007'

(B) How are parenting styles related to socialization of children? Discuss the impact of parenting on upbringing of a child.

(Marks 12+8=20)

(Q6) Write Short note on following:

(Marks 12+8=20)

(A) Legal remedies available under Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006

(B) Loopholes in Dowry Prohibition Act 1961

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Mid Term Examination-2025

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Subject: Sociology III (Law and Society)

Time- 90 minutes

Marks-50

(Q1) 'Despite the presence of legal provisions to prohibit the particular social problem prevailing in the society, such problems still exist in the contemporary societies; some of such problem are dowry and child marriage'.

Discuss the following with reference to above statement with the help of example:

(i) To what extent 'law' act as a means of social control?

(iii) What is the relationship between law and social change? Whether legal changes lead to social changes?

(Marks-8+10=18)

(Q2) Read the following:

(Marks-10+10=20)

On February 25, 2018, 26-year-old Rani collapsed in the hallway of the apartment she shared with her husband, Ramesh. It is unclear what caused her to lose consciousness, but she did have abnormally low potassium levels. While she was unconscious, insufficient oxygen reached her brain. Though doctors revived her, the only thing she could do was breathe on her own. The doctors said she had no thoughts or emotions. Her body was alive, but everything else was gone.

In 2019, Ramesh said the feeding tube should be pulled; that is what she would have wanted. Her parents, Nisha and Ajay Awasthi, instead said she would have chosen to remain on the feeding tube because they thought she might wake up from her persistent vegetative state.

The parents and the husband battled over Rani's life for the next few years. The courts sided with Ramesh, but the parents appealed, prolonging Rani's life. In 2024, in the last appeal, five doctors testified, two chosen by Ramesh, two by the Awasthi's and one by the court. The Awasthi' doctors said there was a chance she could wake up. The other three said that there was no chance, and Rani would remain in a coma until death.

In early 2024, when the final appeal was lost, the case made international headlines. The feeding tube was removed on March 18, 2024, and Rani died just under two weeks later on March 31.

After she died, an autopsy showed that the brain damage had been irreversible, and she would never have woken up.

Whether you would favor the same (removal of the feeding tube)? Prepare your arguments considering the socio-ethical legal context.

(Q3) What are the changes introduced by MTP Amendment Act 2021. Explain. (Marks 12)