

# NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, DELHI

LL.M. (Professional), Semester-I (Batch of 2020-21)

End -Term (Online) Assessment-2020

Paper: Criminology and Victimology

Time: 6:00 Hours

Total Marks: 100

## Instructions

1. Attempt any 5 questions.
  2. Each question carries 20 marks.
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Q.1 "The preventive mode of punishment works by inspiring all prospective wrong-doers with the fear of punishment, by disabling the wrong-doer from immediately committing any crime; and by transforming the offender, by a process of reformation and re-education, so that he would not commit crime again." Is the given statement true? Do you agree that reformatory approach of punishment has proven to be useful? **(20 Marks)**

Q. 2 "Prison reforms have been a subject of intense debate and discussion for several decades in India but even today little appears to have changed on the grass-roots level. The Indian Judiciary has played a proactive role for the improvement of prisons but still the issues relating to prisons in the country and their reform continue to pose a big hurdle in criminal justice system." Enumerate the various issues and reforms in the current Prison system. **(20 Marks)**

Q. 3 "Restorative Justice *must be victim-centred, voluntary, evidence-based, and those programs that are evidence-based must receive adequate funding, and the mandate must not include to reduce penalties.*" Discuss. **(20 Marks)**

Q.4 "*Victims are unfortunately the forgotten people in the criminal justice delivery system. The criminal justice system is meant for doing justice to all - the accused, the society and the victim. Justice remains incomplete without adequate compensation to the victim. Justice can be complete only when the victim is also compensated.*" With reference to the case of *Karan v. State NCT of Delhi* on 27 November, 2020; highlight the importance of section 357 Cr.P.C. **(20 Marks)**

Q. 5 "Until a few years ago, research and practice concentrated mainly on the accused. In recent years only an attempt was made to study the present position of the victims and also the progress that is taking place in the assessment and improvement in the position of the victim in the international perspective." In light of the above statement, discuss the overall position of the victims under the Indian legal system as well as of different countries. **(20 Marks)**

Q.6. Write short-notes on: **(20 Marks)**

- a. Victim Assistance
- b. *Rekha Murarka v. The State of West Bengal (November-2019)*

Q. 7. "Victim Advocacy, refers not only to provision of representation to victims through the court processes, but also entails the performance of a plethora of victim oriented services by public servants or private individuals." How far do you agree with the given statement?

**(20 Marks)**