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LAW

Penology and Victimology (Optional Paper-V)

Paper - 904A

Full Marks : 80 Time : 3 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to give answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Answer **Q. No. 1** and any **five** from the rest.

1. Answer any **ten** questions : $2 \times 10 = 20$

a) Reformative theory of punishment

b) Juvenile delinquency

c) Parole

d) Prison overcrowding

e) Victim impact statement

f) Deterrent punishment

g) Preventive detention

h) Criminal recidivism

i) Sentencing discretion

j) Restorative justice

k) Life imprisonment

l) Community service as punishment

2. Explain the concept of victim compensation with reference to constitutional principles and statutory mechanisms in India. 12

3. Examine the evolution of judicial philosophy on punishment in India, highlighting major trends and landmark decisions. 12

4. Discuss the rights of prisoners under the Indian Constitution and analyze how courts have expanded these rights through judicial interpretation. 12

5. Critically evaluate the objectives of punishment in the light of modern penological theories. 12

6. Explain the open prison system in India. Discuss its advantages, limitations, and relevance in contemporary criminal justice administration. 12

7. What are the different forms of sentencing alternatives available under Indian criminal law? Assess their role in reducing prison population. 12

8. Discuss the concept of white-collar crime and examine the challenges faced by the criminal justice system in dealing with such offences. 12

9. Analyze the interrelationship between criminology, penology, and victimology and explain how they collectively influence criminal justice policy. 12