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**Tenth Semester B.A. LL.B./B.Com. LL.B./B.B.A. LL.B.
(Five Year Integrated) Degree Examination, April 2025**

Paper II : OPTION II — WOMEN AND THE LAW

(2020 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – I

I. Answer any **six** questions in not exceeding **50** words each. Each question carries **2** marks.

1. Female Infanticide.
2. Maintenance of wife.
3. Presumption as to dowry death.
4. Abetment of suicide of a married woman.
5. Marital Rape.
6. Uniform Civil Code.
7. Acid attack.
8. Unnatural Offences.

(6 × 2 = 12 Marks)

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PART – II

- II. Answer any **four** questions in not exceeding **150** words. Each question carries **5** marks.
1. Examine the property rights of women under the Hindu Succession Act, 1956.
 2. Define 'Adultery' as per the Indian Penal Code 1860. What is the punishment prescribed for committing an offence of adultery?
 3. Discuss the salient features of the Family Courts Act.
 4. Examine the special provisions for women in the Factories Act of 1948.
 5. Discuss the major provisions of the equal remuneration laws as welfare and protective legalisation for women in India.
 6. Reservation for women in Local Self Government elections – Discuss.

(4 × 5 = 20 Marks)

PART – III

- III. Answer any **four** questions. Each question carries **6** marks.
1. An employer of an establishment dismissed a permanent woman employee on the ground that she was absent from work due to pregnancy ailments. Examine the liability of the employer, if any.
 2. A social worker from Rajasthan was brutally gang-raped by five men for preventing a child marriage. Determined to seek justice, she decided to go to court. In a shocking decision, the trial court acquitted all five accused. A Group for Women's Education and Research, took up the cause. It joined forces with four other women's organisations and filed a petition before the Supreme Court of India on the issue of sexual harassment at the workplace. Discuss the outcome.
 3. In a Writ Petition before the Supreme Court, the parents of a 12-year-old rape victim girl who was pregnant applied for orders to permit them to medically terminate the child's pregnancy, even though the length of the pregnancy had exceeded 20 weeks. Decide.

4. Women from the Syrian Christian community in Kerala were prevented from inheriting property due to patriarchal traditions. This decree was challenged by Mary Roy, a woman's right activist and educator. After the demise of her father, she filed a case against her elder brother when she was denied equal share in the family's inheritance. Decide.
5. Mrs. X was involved in a bitter child custody battle with her estranged husband. A court in Goa granted her interim custody of their 5-year-old child, but Mr. X whisked their son away and refused to let Mrs.X to meet the child. She filed a case against him. Discuss the legal position in India.

(4 × 6 = 24 Marks)

PART – IV

IV. Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries **12** marks.

1. Explain the constitutional status of women in India along with its international perspective.
2. Examine the provisions of the Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986.
3. Elaborately discuss the term 'Domestic Violence' against Women with related case laws.

(2 × 12 = 24 Marks)