

[Time: 2 Hours]

[Marks: 60]

Please check whether you have got the right question paper.

- N.B:
1. All questions are compulsory.
 2. Total marks are indicated to the right

1. Answer any **SIX** of the following in not more than two sentences : 12
1. Mention any two acts amounting to Glorification of Sati under The Commission of Sati (Prevention) Act, 1987.
 2. What do you mean by Westernisation?
 3. What is the object of the Family Courts Act, 1984?
 4. When does a person become disqualified to act as a Natural Guardian under Hindu Minority and Guardianship Act, 1956?
 5. When a Hindu wife is disqualified to claim maintenance from her husband under Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act, 1956?
 6. What do you understand by Unobstructed Heritage?
 7. What is the difference between Patriarchal and Matriarchal Family?
 8. What is Escheat?
 9. Mention any two rights of a coparcener.
 10. State any two disqualifications to Succession of Property, under the Hindu Succession Act, 1956?
2. Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following 12
1. Existing Legislative Provisions as to Settlement of Spousal Property
 2. Need for Uniform Civil Code
 3. Karta
 4. Maintenance of a Widowed Daughter-in-Law
3. Answer any **TWO** of the following (Give reasons for your answer): 12
1. Mr, X, a Hindu male dies intestate leaving behind son, daughter, daughter of predeceased daughter of predeceased daughter and brother 'B'.
 - i. How X's Property will devolve after his death?
 - ii. If brother 'B' has committed murder of Mr. X, then how much share he is entitled to inherit from Mr. X?

2. Riya got married to Amit under the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955. Amit's mother started demanding a Diamond set and Rs. 5,00,000 /- in cash as Dowry Riya's father had no option but to fulfil the demand and gave the same to Amit's mother.
 - i. What is the punishment to which Amit's mother can be made liable?
 - ii. What is the remedy available to Riya under the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955?
3. Ashok and Sarita are married under the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955. Ashok has an adulterous relationship with Freya, his friend and a child is born out of such relationship.
 - i. What action can Sarita take against Ashok under the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955?
 - ii. Is the child entitled to inherit Ashok's property? Explain.
4. Amar while a bachelor adopted a son 'S'. Asha, while unmarried, adopted a daughter 'D'. Amar and Asha then married each other.
 - i. After marriage can Amar adopt a daughter? Explain with reasons.
 - ii. What is the relationship between Amar and 'D' and between Asha and 'S'?

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4. Answer any TWO of the following :

1. Discuss the provisions under Hindu Succession Act, 1956 governing intestate succession to the property of a Hindu female.
2. Who can appoint a Testamentary Guardian under Hindu Minority and Guardianship Act, 1956 and discuss in brief Powers of Testamentary Guardian.
3. Explain the grounds of divorce available to a wife under the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955.
4. What is partition under Mitakshara Law? Who are entitled to share on partition and what is the effect of partition?
