

HONS. 02/001/24

**B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) DEGREE SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION,  
MAY 2024**

**LAW OF CRIMES – 1**

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

**PART – A**

Answer **ANY SIX** questions. Each question carries **FIVE** marks.

**(6 x 5 = 30)**

1. Crimes do not necessarily reflect the moral standards of the society. Discuss.
2. Why is causation important in fixing responsibility for a crime? How far does *mens rea* have to be contemporaneous?
3. Omissions are not generally treated as crimes. Elucidate.
4. Do you consider that criminal law relies too much on mental wrongfulness or culpability? Is it appropriate and why?
5. An abettor's position may not be comparable with that of the person committing the act which may constitute an offence. Explain.
6. Why should preparation be not made criminal? How would you ascertain if an act has crossed the stage of preparation?
7. Do you agree with the current position of law that deals with excusing persons of unsound mind? What changes, if any, would you suggest to improve fairness?
8. Private defence is a 'right' which is pretty wide in Indian law. Elucidate.

**PART – B**

Answer **ANY TWO** questions. Each question carries **TEN** marks.

**(2 x 10 = 20)**

1. F, an IT expert, is offered a huge payment by a known criminal of the locality seeking additional encryption of the messages he shares within his group within their social media accounts. Later, it becomes clear in investigation that robberies were planned and committed by co-ordinating with this encrypted accounts group. Discuss the responsibilities of F for such offences, if any.
2. M, while his licence is suspended for dangerous driving, drives his car to take a patient requiring immediate medical attention to the hospital. On the way he hits a pedestrian. He is charged with causing hurt, among other relevant offences under the motor vehicles law. Discuss, defences, if any, available to M.
3. P, a competent driver, offers a bribe to pass a driving test for licence. The officer in charge of the test refuses to accept bribe as he realises that P is a competent driver qualified to get licence. Discuss the offences committed by each of them, if any.