

FAMILY LAW-I

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

PART-A

Answer ANY FOUR questions. Each question carries TEN marks

(4 x10 = 40)

- I. Write notes on the following.  
(a). Sources of Hindu Law (b). Sunni and Shia schools of Law
- ✓ II. What are the essential conditions for a Muslim Marriage? Explain the conditions in which such a marriage becomes void and irregular.
- III. Write notes on the following.  
(a). Option of Puberty (b). Acknowledgement of Legitimacy
- ✓ IV. What are the ground available for divorce under the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955? Discuss the need for including irretrievable breakdown of marriage as a ground for divorce.
- ✓ V. Discuss the scope of the protection of women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005. Explain the various reliefs provided for the victim under the Act.
- ✓ VI. Explain the concept of adoption under Hindu law. Elucidate the procedure for adoption under the Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act.
- VII. Discuss the scope of the Special Marriage Act. Elucidate the provisions relating to solemnization of marriages under the Act.
- VIII. Explain the challenges in legalising same-sex marriages in India and incorporating the same in personal law dealing with marriage.

PART-B

Answer ANY TWO of the following. Each question carries FIVE marks.

(2x5 = 10)

- ✓ IX. Lakshmi is a Hindu woman who has a living husband and also two children who have attained majority. Now Lakshmi is 65 years old and is not in a position to earn a livelihood. Discuss the legal options available for Lakshmi to claim maintenance.
- ✓ X. A Hindu couple has a minor child. The father of the child dies leaving behind a will whereby he appoints his brother as the guardian of the child. Later on, the mother of the child appoints her sister as the guardian of the child by her will and dies during the minority of the child. Who can be considered to be the guardian of the child according to the Hindu law?
- XI. Maria and John got married according to Christian law. Within a few days after the marriage John started to ill-treat Maria. He continuously made allegations of adultery against her and family compelled her to leave the matrimonial home. Advise Maria regarding the remedies available under different laws.

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