

TILAK MAHARASHTRA VIDYAPEETH, PUNE
MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.)
(Two Years - Semester Pattern) CREDIT SYSTEM
EXAMINATION : DECEMBER - 2024
THIRD SEMESTER
Sub.: Principles of Criminal Law (LM 305)

Date : 06/12/2024

Total Marks : 50

Time: 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm

Instructions: 1) All questions are compulsory.
2) Figure indicate to the right full marks.

Q. 1. Answer the following question. (15)

A) What is the definition of criminal law, and how has it evolved over time? Discuss its nature and scope, highlighting its role in modern legal systems.

OR

B) Explain the concepts of *actus reus* and *mens rea* in criminal law. Why are both elements necessary to establish criminal liability?

Q. 2. Answer the following question. (15)

A) What are the fundamental differences between the adversarial and inquisitorial systems of justice? Discuss how these differences affect the roles of judges, lawyers, and evidence presentation in each system.

OR

B) What are the key principles governing offenses committed under joint liability, and how is responsibility assigned among the individuals involved?

Q. 3. Write Short Notes. (any four) (20)

- a) Stages of commission of crime
 - b) Burden of Proof
 - c) Excusable Defences
 - d) Advantages and disadvantages of the adversarial system.
 - e) General principle of Strict Liability
 - f) General and Specific Intent
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