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Mid Term Examinations - October 2026

Date: 05/10/2026 **Time:** 11:45 AM - 01:15 PM

Course Code: LAW3023 **Course Name:** Criminology

Semester: Seventh Semester **Max. Marks:** 50 **Weightage:** 50%

CO - Levels	CO1	CO2
Marks	46	44

PART A: Answer Following Questions. 10 M

Q.N.	Questions	M	CO	BT
1	Distinguish between 'crime' and 'tort' as forms of wrongful conduct.	2	CO1	BT1
2	List two social sciences with which criminology maintains a close relationship, and briefly justify their relevance.	2	CO1	BT1
3	Explain briefly why criminology is described as an "empirical" and a "dynamic" discipline.	2	CO1	BT1
4	State the central idea of the Demonological School of Criminology and one reason it was eventually rejected.	2	CO2	BT1
5	Identify Cesare Beccaria's three pillars of effective punishment.	2	CO2	BT1

PART B : Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 10 M

Q.N.	Questions	M	CO	BT
6	Discuss the importance of criminology in shaping criminal justice policy in contemporary India, with suitable illustrations.	10	CO1	BT2
7	Examine the classification of crimes recognised under Indian criminal law, and discuss its practical significance for law enforcement and sentencing	10	CO1	BT2

PART C: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 10 M

Q.N.	Questions	M	CO	BT
8	Explain Bentham's utilitarian theory of punishment and the concept of the "hedonistic calculus." How is the idea of the Panopticon connected to this theory?	10	CO2	BT2
9	Discuss the modifications introduced by the Neo-Classical School to the original tenets of the Classical School, illustrating how it accommodated mitigating circumstances	10	CO2	BT2

PART D: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 10 M

Q.N.	Questions	M	CO	BT
10	A ten-year-old child assists an adult relative in shoplifting without understanding that the act is wrong. Applying the concept of mens rea and the classification of offenders, analyse whether the child can be held criminally responsible.	10	CO1	BT3

11	A trading company unknowingly sells counterfeit components sourced from a supplier, causing harm to consumers. Applying the essential elements of crime, analyse whether the company can be said to have committed a "crime" in the legal sense.	10	CO1	BT3

PART E: Answer Any 1 Following Questions. 10 M				
Q.N.	**Questions**	**M**	**CO**	**BT**
12	A criminologist argues that Lombroso's theory of the "born criminal" is dangerous when applied to modern criminal-justice policy. Critically evaluate the Biological and Constitutional School of Criminology in light of this concern, considering both its historical contribution and its limitations	10	CO2	BT5
13	"The Cartographic School shifted attention from the criminal to the crime environment." Evaluate this statement and discuss its relevance to modern crime-mapping and hotspot-policing strategies.	10	CO2	BT5