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LL.M IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION
FIRST YEAR- FINAL EXAMINATION - 2022/2023
LLPA 301- PENOLOGY I
DURATION: 03 HOURS



Date: 14.10.2023

Time: 09.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

Total No. of Questions: 07

Answer Four (04) questions only.

Candidates will be penalized for illegible handwriting.

01. Critically analyze the success of probation in the criminal justice system of Sri Lanka. While comparing two other jurisdictions suggest appropriate recommendations for reforms to the probation system in Sri Lanka. (25 Marks)

02. Critically evaluate, the different theories of punishment considering the penal laws of Sri Lanka to justify the death penalty as a main mode of punishment. Your answer should focus on the socio- legal aspect of the death penalty. (25 Marks)

03. Do you think Sri Lanka's prison system successfully reduces the reconviction and recidivism rates? Your answer should include the relevant theory or theories relating to incarceration/imprisonment, the relevant domestic laws, and an evaluation of contemporary correctional programs conducted by the prison system in Sri Lanka. (25 Marks)

04. Explain the existing international standards in Mandela Rules and Bangkok rules for the protection of the rights of the offenders. Do you think our penal system is aligned with those standards? With a critical analysis of the penal system of Sri Lanka, suggest what changes should be incorporated to improve our penal system to par with the international standards in the two instruments. (25 Marks)
05. Critically analyze any three non- custodial sentencing alternatives available in Sri Lanka, today. Comparing the existing relevant international standards, recommend reforms to the law relating to the three non- custodial sentencing alternatives you have selected in this question. (25 Marks)
06. Critically examine the accomplishment of parole in the criminal justice system of Sri Lanka. While comparing two other jurisdictions propose suitable commendations for reforms to the probation system in Sri Lanka. (25 Marks)
07. Do you think the existing modes of corrections available for juvenile delinquency are successful in reducing the recurrence of their criminality and sentencing disparity in similar delinquency cases? Suggest new reforms to the law relating to juvenile justice including a policy for juvenile sentencing with a special reference to relevant international standards and one other jurisdiction. (25 Marks)