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Important Questions on Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) for CLAT PG

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Preparing for CLAT 2025? Attempt these 20 important questions on Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) here!

1. How many sections are there in the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023?

- a) 511
- b) 358
- c) 300
- d) 400

Answer: b) 358

Explanation: The BNS contains 358 sections under 20 chapters, replacing the IPC's 511 sections in 23 chapters.

2. Which section of the BNS defines the term "gender" to include transgender individuals?

- a) Section 2(8)
- b) Section 2(10)
- c) Section 3(1)
- d) Section 4(2)

Answer: b) Section 2(10)

Explanation: Section 2(10) of BNS includes male, female, and transgender persons in the definition of "gender."

3. The word "juryman," which is now obsolete in India, has been _____ in the BNS.

- a) Expanded
- b) Redefined

- c) Retained
- d) Removed

Answer: d) Removed

Explanation: Since the jury system no longer exists in India, the term “juryman” was omitted in BNS.

4. Which of the following offences under IPC has been altered in the BNS?

- a) Sedition
- b) Rape
- c) Theft
- d) Murder

Answer: a) Sedition

Explanation: Sedition under Section 124A of IPC has been replaced by offences like secession and armed rebellion under Sections 152 and 197 of BNS.

5. In the BNS, the term “British calendar month or year” has been replaced with:

- a) Indian calendar month or year
- b) Gregorian calendar month or year
- c) Solar calendar month or year
- d) Lunar calendar month or year

Answer: b) Gregorian calendar month or year

Explanation: The BNS uses the term “Gregorian calendar” to standardize modern legal terminology.

6. Which landmark case led to the removal of adultery as an offence in the BNS?

- a) Navtej Singh Johar v. Union of India
- b) Joseph Shine v. Union of India
- c) Mithu v. State of Punjab
- d) Independent Thought v. Union of India

Answer: b) Joseph Shine v. Union of India

Explanation: The Supreme Court struck down Section 497 IPC in Joseph Shine (2018), declaring it unconstitutional under Articles 14, 15, and 21.

7. What is the newly introduced offence under Section 84 of the BNS?

- a) Indecent exposure
- b) Misuse of electronic communication
- c) Enticing the wife of another man for illicit intercourse
- d) Causing hurt to public servants

Answer: c) Enticing the wife of another man for illicit intercourse

Explanation: Section 84 penalizes enticing another's wife for illicit intercourse, replacing adultery under IPC.

8. What punishment is prescribed under Section 103 of BNS for murder?

- a) Life imprisonment only
- b) Death penalty only
- c) Life imprisonment or death penalty
- d) Community service

Answer: c) Life imprisonment or death penalty

Explanation: Section 103 prescribes life imprisonment (remainder of natural life) or death for murder, with an added fine.

9. Which of the following offences has been introduced under the BNS?

- a) Mob lynching
- b) Child marriage
- c) Polygamy
- d) Begging

Answer: a) Mob lynching

Explanation: The BNS penalizes mob lynching when five or more persons murder someone based on identity markers like caste or language.

10. What type of theft does Section 304 of the BNS address?

- a) Intellectual property theft
- b) Snatching
- c) Burglary
- d) Cyber theft

Answer: b) Snatching

Explanation: Section 304 defines snatching as the forcible or sudden seizing of property from someone's possession.

11. Which offence under the IPC related to unnatural sexual acts has been removed in the BNS?

- a) Section 497
- b) Section 377
- c) Section 309
- d) Section 306

Answer: b) Section 377

Explanation: Unnatural sexual offences have been removed, following Navtej Singh Johar v. Union of India.

12. What new penalty has been introduced under Section 4(f) of the BNS?

- a) Capital punishment
- b) Fines for minor offences
- c) Community service
- d) Imprisonment

Answer: c) Community service

Explanation: The BNS allows community service as a punishment for minor offences like petty theft or public drunkenness.

13. What is the punishment for gang rape of a woman below 18 years under Section 70(2) of BNS?

- a) Fine only
- b) Life imprisonment or death

- c) Imprisonment up to 7 years
- d) Imprisonment up to 10 years

Answer: b) Life imprisonment or death

Explanation: Gang rape of a woman below 18 years attracts life imprisonment (remainder of natural life) or death.

14. Which term replaces “unsound mind” in Section 22 of BNS?

- a) Mentally unstable
- b) Psychiatric disorder
- c) Mental illness
- d) Cognitive impairment

Answer: c) Mental illness

Explanation: The term “mental illness” is broader and aligns with modern mental health laws.

15. What age threshold does BNS set for sexual consent in the context of married women?

- a) 15 years
- b) 16 years
- c) 18 years
- d) 21 years

Answer: c) 18 years

Explanation: The BNS raised the age of consent for married women to 18 years, in line with *Independent Thought v. Union of India* (2017).

16. Which new offence introduced under the BNS penalizes a person for employing or engaging a child to commit a crime?

- a. Section 95
- b. Section 89
- c. Section 102
- d. Section 110

Correct Answer: a. Section 95

Explanation: Section 95 of the BNS criminalizes the act of employing or engaging a child to commit any offence, thereby holding the employer accountable for exploiting minors.

17. In the BNS, which provision addresses the offence of sexual intercourse by employing deceitful means?

- a. Section 69
- b. Section 84
- c. Section 97
- d. Section 105

Correct Answer: a. Section 69

Explanation: Section 69 of the BNS criminalizes sexual intercourse obtained through deceitful means, such as false promises of marriage, impersonation, or fraud.

18. Under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, which specific act is penalized under Section 148 that was not explicitly addressed in the Indian Penal Code, 1860?

- a. Attempt to commit suicide
- b. Organized crime
- c. Violent protest
- d. Counterfeiting currency

Correct Answer: c. Violent protest

Explanation: Section 148 of the BNS introduces stricter provisions for violent protests, distinguishing it from lawful demonstrations.

19. Which section in the BNS incorporates provisions related to the criminal liability of manufacturers for adulteration of food and drugs?

- a. Section 227
- b. Section 232
- c. Section 240
- d. Section 248

Correct Answer: c. Section 240

Explanation: Section 240 of the BNS strengthens the provisions against adulteration of food and drugs, ensuring public health and safety. It criminalizes the act of manufacturing or selling adulterated food, drinks, or drugs and imposes stricter penalties on offenders.

20. What significant change has been made in the BNS regarding the punishment for the offence of sedition?

- a. The punishment has been increased to life imprisonment.
- b. Sedition has been repealed and replaced with an offence against sovereignty, unity, and integrity of India.
- c. Sedition remains unchanged.
- d. Sedition is now punishable with a maximum of five years imprisonment.

Correct Answer: b. Sedition has been repealed and replaced with an offence against sovereignty, unity, and integrity of India.

Explanation: Under the BNS, the colonial-era offence of sedition, previously defined under Section 124A of the IPC, has been repealed. It has been replaced with provisions that criminalize actions endangering the sovereignty, unity, and integrity of India.

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