

# MEDICAL LEGAL REPORT

ANSWER OUTLINE



## Q. MEDICAL LEGAL REPORT

#### 1. INTRODUCTION:

Medical legal reports are documents prepared by medical officer in response to a requisition of police officer. These reports are usually made in criminal cases. These reports have legal value in criminal cases.

### 2. Medico legal report--- connotation of:

It is a report prepared by a doctor, usually in criminal cases such as assault, rape or murder etc.

#### 3. Definition of medico legal reports:

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#### 4. Examples of Medical legal reports:

Following are some examples of medical legal reports.

- i. Injury reports.
- ii. Post mortum report.
- iii. Dying declaration.
- iv. Certificate of mantel fitness.
- v. Certificate in connection with sexual offence.

## 5. Who prepared medico legal report:

(Doctors or authorized medical officers)

#### 6. Parts of medical legal report:

There are two parts of a medico legal report.

I: facts observed in examination ii: opinion of doctors upon those facts

## 7. Rules for conducting MLR:

Following are the essentials requirements for conducting a MLR.

i. Time:

MLR should be written at the time of examination.

ii. Care:

Care should be used in preparing MLR.

- iii. **Formalities:** ( date, time, description)
- iv. Identification of body:
- v. Report must be simple and brief:
- vi. Report must based upon facts:
- vii. Report prepared by a medical officer:
- viii. Injuries must be described in detail:
- ix. Nature of injury:
- x. Weapon of injury:
- xi. Cause of death:
- xii. Approximate time since death:
- xiii. Clothing, weapons or any symptoms must also be examine:

#### (Please explain the above mentioned points)

#### 8. Importance of medical legal reports:

Following are the some points of importance of medical legal reports:

- i. Gaudiness of investigating officers:
- ii. Guilt of accused:
- iii. Expert evidence: (Article 59 of QSO 1984)
- iv. Contradiction in cross examination:
- v. Corroboration to substantive evidence:
- vi. Ascertainment of cause of death:
- vii. Ascertainment of time of death:
- viii. Ascertainment of injury:
- ix. Ascertainment of weapon used:

(Please explain the above mentioned points)

### 9. Evidentiary value of medical legal report:

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#### 10. Conclusion: