



OBJECTS OF POST MORTEM
EXAMINATION
ANSWER OUTLINE

Q. Define Post Mortem examination? What are the objects of post mortem examination?

1. Introduction:
2. Meaning of post mortem
3. Definition of post mortem
4. When post mortem is conducted?
 - i. In case of a death
Post mortem is conducted only in case of death when death is caused through,
 - a. Homicide
 - b. Suicide
 - c. Accidental
 - d. Suspicious
 - ii. Sending dead body by police officer.
 - iii. Procedure of sending dead body
 - a. Inform the area magistrate
 - b. Lodged the FIR
 - c. Sending the dead body for post mortem
5. Essentials requirements for post mortem examination.
6. Object of post mortem examination.
Following are the main objects of post mortem examination.
 - i. Identification of person.
 - ii. Data required for determination of dead body
 - iii. To determine the cause of death.
 - iv. To find out accused.
 - v. To find cause of death.
 - vi. Estimate time of death.
 - vii. Question as to new born infant.
 - viii. To determine the nature of skeletal remarks
7. Rules as to conducting post mortem examination.

Following rules must be fulfilled by a medical officer

- i. Written authorization.
- ii. Challan of dead body.
- iii. Examination in day light.
- iv. No unnecessary delay.
- v. Data for identification.
- vi. Detailed examination of clothes.
- vii. Photographs or sketches.
- viii. Estimate time of death.
- ix. A brief general description of the body.
- x. Examination of blood stains.
- xi. Examination of three major cavities of the body.

8. Conclusion: