

FAMILY LAW – I : HINDU LAW

(OLD BATCH)

JUNE 2017

1. Who is a “Hindu” for the purpose of operation of “Hindu Law”? Explain.
2. Discuss “cruelty” as a ground for divorce. Refer to decided cases.
3. Who is a ‘Karta’? Explain his rights, duties and powers.
4. Who can claim “partition”? Explain modes and reasons of partition.
5. Discuss the general rules of succession of a female Hindu dying interstate.
6. Explain “natural” and “testamentary” guardians and their powers.
7. Mention the circumstances under which a Hindu wife can live separately from her husband and claim maintenance.
8. Write short notes on any two of the following:
 - a) Divorce by mutual consent.
 - b) Powers and duties of co-parcener.
 - c) Essentials of valid adoption.
9. Solve any two of the following problems:
 - a) The wife used to be usually absent from the house and husband finds her in company with strangers. He also finds her with those strangers in their room. When asked by the husband wife did not have any explanation for being in their company. In these circumstances the husband files a petition for divorce on the ground of wife’s living in “adultery”. Decide.
 - b) Ramu a hindu male dies intestate leaving behind two widows, three sons and a daughter. Explain the devolution of property amongst the eligible heirs.
 - c) ‘A’ is the illegitimate minor son of his mother ‘B’. ‘C’ is the father of ‘A’. ‘B’ in the life time of ‘C’ appoints one ‘D’ as guardian in the will and

dies before 'A' attains majority. Is the appointment of 'D' as guardian excluding 'C'; by 'B' in her will valid? Give reasons.

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DECEMBER 2017

1. Briefly explain the sources of Hindu law with special reference to custom.
2. Explain the grounds on which a Hindu Marriage can be dissolved by divorce.
3. Explain the features of a Coparcenary and bring out the rights of a Coparcenary.
4. What is partition? Explain various modes of partition.
5. Discuss the changes brought out before and after passing the Hindu Succession Act, 1966 in respect of the property rights of the female heirs.
6. Explain the requirements of valid adoption under the Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act.
7. Who is a guardian? Explain the powers of natural guardians.
8. Write short notes on any two of the following:
 - (a) Salient features of Mitakshara school of Hindu Law.
 - (b) Pious obligation.
 - (c) Dowry.
9. Solve any two of the following problems:
 - (a) A Hindu male dies leaving behind his wife, mother, son's son's daughter and daughter's daughter. Distribute his property.
 - (b) Naresh a Hindu converted to Islamic religion. His wife wants to divorce him. Advise her.
 - (c) 'A' a widow, sues her father-in-law and father for maintenance separately. Is she entitled for maintenance?
