

**HIGH COURT OF KERALA
JUDICIAL TEST (HIGHER) 2020
PART-II, PAPER-V**

FAMILY LAW

Total Marks 100
Time: 3 hrs

PART A

Answer any SEVEN questions. Each carries 5 marks.

Write short notes on the following:

1. *Mary Roy v. State of Kerala.*
2. *Mohammed Ahammed Khan v. Shah Banu Beegum.*
3. Sources of Muslim Law.
4. Effect of fraud in getting consent in a Christian marriage.
5. Conditions for adoption of a daughter by a Hindu male?
6. Impact of abolition of joint family system in Kerala.
7. Marriage a sacrament or contract for Christians? Explain.
8. Concept of escheat.
9. Right of husband to get maintenance from the wife pendent lite.
10. Importance of free consent in marriage.

[7x5=35]

PART B

Answer any TWO questions. Each carries 10 marks.

1. Mrs. Shalini, a female Hindu, owner of 20 Hectares of Rubber Plantation, dies intestate leaving behind her husband Santhosh, son Varun, daughter Arya, mother Janaki, Sonam Suresh, wife of predeceased son Suresh, Sohan and Sonali, children of Suresh. Distribute the property among the legal heirs.

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2. A Hindu converts to Christianity. Later, he marries a Hindu woman in accordance with the custom and ceremonies of the Hindu community. Is it a valid marriage? Give reasons.
3. Ranjini and Soman are highly educated and affluent couple. After marriage, they were living in Dubai. Unfortunately because of matrimonial cruelty attributed to Soman, Ranjini is unable to reside with him and came back to India and sues for divorce. They have a girl aged 3 years. Soman, who is so fond of the child, wants her custody. Can he succeed?
4. Mr.Anoop constantly accuses his wife, Mrs.Hema, of having sexual relationship with her colleagues. There is no truth in the accusation. Can Mrs.Hema make this ground for getting divorce from Mr.Anoop?

[2x10=20]

PART C

Answer any THREE questions. Each carries 15 marks.

1. Explain the intestate succession in the case of a deceased Hindu male under the Hindu Succession Act?
2. Explain valid, void and irregular marriages in Muslim Law. What are the legal consequences of such marriages?
3. What is a Will? How can wills be validly executed and proved?
4. Discuss the concept of judicial separation and the grounds available for getting judicial separation.
5. Is right of succession of property of one's father an absolute right for a Hindu? Are there exceptions that vitiate the right of inheritance?

[3x15=45]