

University of Jaffna ,Sri Lanka

Third Examination for Medical Degrees (2nd Exam) Part I & Part II –June 2009

Forensic medicine

Time 3 hours

Date:17.06.2008

Answer all questions

1. You are called upon to conduct the postmortem examination of a young female found hanging.
 - 1.1. Identify the medico-legal issues in this case. (30 marks).
 - 1.2. Describe how you will approach this case to find out cause of death, manner and circumstance of death.(70 marks)
2.
 - 2.1. What are the circumstances in which inquest should be ordered? (40 marks)
 - 2.2. What is professional secrecy? (30 marks)
 - 2.3. What is informed consent? Describe by giving an example. (30 marks)
3.
 - 3.1. What are the postmortem features of a death due to paraquat poisoning? (60 marks)
 - 3.2. What are the clinical features of Datura poisoning? (40 marks).
4.
 - 4.1 What are the medico legal importance of examination of a hymen in a case of alleged sexual abuse? (50 marks)
 - 4.2 What is criminal abortion? (20 marks)
 - 4.3 List the possible causes of death following criminal abortion? (30 marks).
5.
 - 5.1 What is stab injury? (20 marks)
 - 5.2 How will you describe a stab injury? (40 marks)
 - 5.3 How will you differentiate a lacerated wound from an incised wound? (40 marks).