

3 explain the multifaceted scope of Criminology, including its role in crime prevention, criminal justice policymaking and the rehabilitation of offenders.

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1. Introduction:

In the era of social inequalities, where the rising of crimes has



been exacerbating day by day. However, there is a role of criminology and from this the importance of criminology can never be underestimated. The multifaceted scope of criminology can be examined in various disciplines including psychology, physiology, chemistry, biology, economics etc. Moreover, it plays a significant role in crime prevention, policy making regarding criminal justice and rehabilitation of the offenders.

## 2. What is criminology?

According to the (Crim) Adwin Sutherland,

"Criminology is the body of knowledge regarding crime as in its social order. It also includes within its scope it is related to making laws, breaking laws and moving toward breaking laws."



### 3. Scope of Criminology:

Criminology helps to investigate the behavior, causes and other factors of crimes and also understands the criminal behavior. Furthermore, it deals with the criminal justice system and policy making for crime prevention.

#### In Forensic Science:

Criminology with the cooperation of Forensic Science Agencies attempts to investigate the nature of crime. To investigate the crime various factors such as test of DNA, investigation, case filing, etc. are the evidences provided by forensic science agencies.

#### Crime Investigation:

Crime investigation plays a significant role to continuing the case further, making trials, freeing suspects etc. Criminology also deals with investigation holistically.

#### Policy making:



With the help of other criminal justice system's institutions criminology plays a part to formulate policies to prevent the crimes further by analyzing the factors behind the crimes and criminal's behaviors.

## Crime prevention by analyzing offender's nature.

- 1) Psychological factors
- 2) Economic factors

There are many psychological and economic factors that are contributing more to spread crimes. By analyzing these factors criminology helps to crime prevention. These factors include, social inequalities, mental disorders, peer pressure, social media exposure and many more.

## Role of criminology in criminal justice policymaking.



Policy making is the integral part of every institution. But it is considered successful only when it (becomes) achieves its required goals. However, according to the nature of criminology, as it works for the study of crimes or finding more ways to prevent further happening. It will only be considered progressive when it would become successful in implementing the essential policies.

### **The part of criminology in the rehabilitation of offenders:**

No doubt, there are many factors which insist any offender to commit crime. Therefore, criminology cooperates them in order to investigate the reason behind every unlawful act. and also provide the offenders various opportunities to restrict crimes. In such rehabilitation there are some are followings.



## 1. Right of Petition:-

While (seeing) noticing the different factors of crimes every offender is given the right of petition to prove his or her innocent.

Under this right every individual can have a right to provide evidences in his or her defence.

## 2. Provision of Suitable Environment for Investigation:

The mental disturbance of the criminals prohibits peaceful environment. Criminology ensures a peaceful environment for the offenders to communicate easily without any mental pressure.

## 3. Rehabilitation Centres:

Injured offenders in any case of robbery, murder, sexual involvement or any other criminal activity are always send them to rehabilitation centre for treatment.

## 4. Funding For Future Crime Prevention



Economic stability is the major factor which leads to fewer crimes. Funding every offenders to meet their needs can help to reduce more crimes in the future by individuals. So it is financial help which reaches by the various institution to the offenders.

To cut story short, while having numbers of crimes and different criminal behaviours, we can never deny the importance of criminology. It has a great scope in various fields. Moreover, prevention of crimes, criminal justice, policy making and rehabilitation of offenders are also come under the duties of criminology as having a valid scope.