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Q: Define Criminology and its Nature, Scope and importance.

Ans:-

## ETYMOLOGICAL MEANING:-

Criminology is a combination of two words - crimen and ology. "Crimen" a Latin word means "crime" or "Accusation" and "logy" means "study."

## DEFINITIONS:-

Criminology is defined by various scholars as:-

"Criminology is the branch of knowledge that deals with the study of crime as an incident."  
(Sutherland)

"Criminology is the scientific and systematic study of crime as a social phenomenon and criminal and mental traits, habits and their discipline etcetra."  
(Webster).

"Criminology can be divided into two branches (i) General and (ii) specific criminology."  
(Donald Traff).

# CRIMINOLOGY AS A SCIENCE :-

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In science study can be done at three levels or aspects :-

- (i) Systematic level. study.
- (ii) Capacity to establish relation between causes and consequences
- (iii) Universality and certainty of principles

Likewise, is done in criminology by taking data from Forensic Lab make it approved by matching hairs, nails or any body part and in this way concluded and the result become certain from it and this process is applied universally almost.

## CONCLUSION:-

Criminology study is essential in many aspects as said by Donald R. Traft =

"Criminology is the best means of social service."

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- (3) Origin of crime.
- (4) Personality of Offender - either first time crime or repeated.
- (5) Punishments and correction of crime in a society.
- (6) Types of crime and criminal law.
- (7) Detection and investigation.
- (8) Detection, methods and techniques.
- (9) Understand the root cause.
- (10) EFFECT of present law on crimes.

## IMPORTANCE OF CRIMINOLOGY.-

- Criminology helps in improving employment by providing jobs opportunity to Forensic Lab, finger print experts and hand writing experts.
- Criminology helps officers to find its target criminal easily and in less time.
- Criminology grab attention of society towards factors leading to crime.
- Grab attention of Government to follow strict rules on criminal of smuggling, and white collar.
- It helps in providing ways of elimination of crimes from the society lead towards peace.

# Nature of Criminology :- <sup>day / date:</sup>

Criminology is the scientific study of crime, its accusation and also provide strategies of its prevention.

The science of criminology is split into two forms:-

(1) Theoretical and pure criminology.  
It is interdisciplinary so deals with other subjects too and study crime. As with:-

- (A) Literature
- (B) Language
- (C) Arts
- (D) Physics  
(Guns angle like G3 and 9mm Gun)
- (E) Chemistry (Drugs)

(2) Applied and practical criminology:-  
Deal with criminal policy.

## SCOPE OF CRIMINOLOGY:-

Following are the scope of Criminology:-

- (1) Causes of crime and its prevention.
- (2) Society reaction the crime and criminal.

