

Explain principle of criminal investigation?
With an example from Pakistan.

Introduction

According to Locard's exchange principle:
"Any person enter or exit the criminal scene
will add or remove material from it so it
must be secure for good evidence."

To prove a guilt or innocence of a person,
criminal investigation is core of criminal
Justice system. There are many principles of
criminal investigation which also mentioned
in constitution and police reform in Pakistan.
Security of crime scene, legality, protection
of human right is the basic principle
of criminal investigation.

Principle of criminal investigation

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The main process of principle that must be
follow during criminal investigation is as
follow.

Principle of criminal investigation

• Action Based
Principle of
criminal investigation

• Moral based
principle of criminal
investigation.

• Action Based principle of criminal investigation.

The following principle are categorized as
action based.

1. Identify the crime scene
2. Security of crime scene.
3. Plan, coordinate, execute
4. Primary survey
5. Documentation of evidence
6. second survey
7. Protection of evidence.

(1) Identify the crime scene.

The first principle of criminal investigation is the identification of crime scene. crime scene is an area where incident occurs. The police officer or investigation officers must be identified origin of crime scene by starting at that point.

Security of crime scene

According to ^{exchange} Lacard's principle;
Any person enters or exit the crime scene will enter or exit remove material from crime scene, so it must be protected."

crime scene is the only place through which guilt of offender is proved there should be proper security concern at crime scene. No body will be allowed to enter crime scene except the investigation team.

Method to secure criminal scene

using yellow security tape

using one path for entering or exiting

5) Plan, coordinate and execute

Different types of crime require different types of dealing (investigation). The homicide will be treated differently than burglary. Investigation should be planned (which time is better for investigation must be considered). Coordination should be well maintained during investigation.

1) Primary survey

Investigation should be starting by walking at crime scene called primary survey. Don't touch any evidence by hand. Use digital technology such as photo capturing, video recorder to record the evidence.

5) Documentation of evidence

The evidence which find at crime site should be well documented for better preservation. Article 172 of CrPc in Pakistan allow that there should be **case diary** which is properly documented for evidence.

6) Second Survey / Quality move survey.

Second survey should be occurred by investigation officer to ensure that no evidence left behind at crime scene. This is very crucial step in criminal investigation which ensure success of criminal investigation.

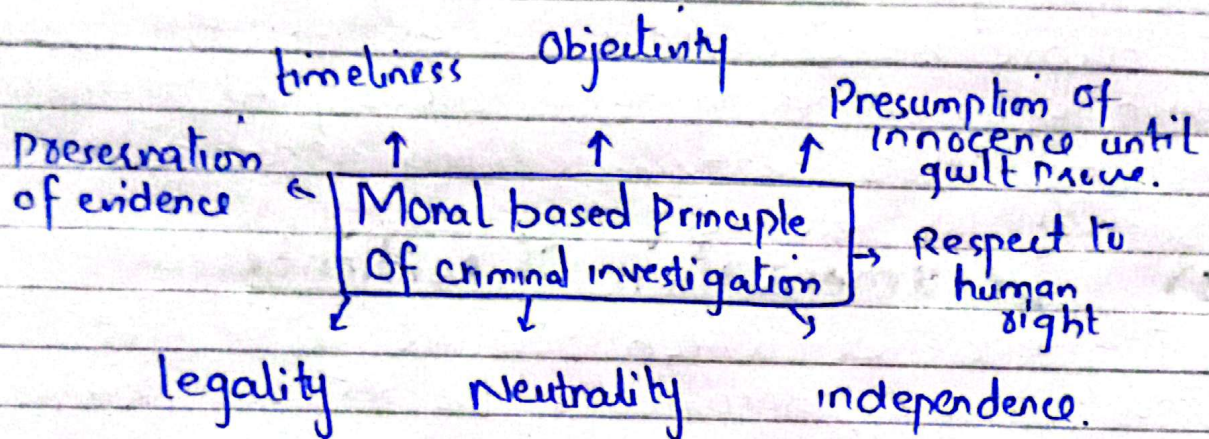
Protection of evidence

All the evidence obtained should be well maintain. Photos, video must be kept in secret folder of laptop. Biological evidence

such as blood and semen) easily displaced and torned must be kept in separate polythene sheet and paraidish.

Moral Based Principle Of Criminal Investigation

There are following moral based principle of Criminal investigation:



Example from Pakistan

Zainab Ansari case 2018.

The example of Zainab Ansari explain the criminal investigation principles in Pakistan. She was abducted, raped and murdered. Her body was found in a garbage dump on January 9, 2018.

• Application of Principle of Criminal Investigation

Population

1) Preservation of the crime scene

Authorities quickly cordoned off the area where zainab body was found.

2 collection of evidence.

Forensic expert collect evidences like hair, DNA sample.

cctv footage nearby houses and street collected showing a girl walking with man.

3 Use of forensic science

This investigation heavily relied on DNA profiling. over 2,100 DNA collected. A 24 year old Imran Ali match DNA of same area.

4) Arrest and interrogation.

Once DNA matched, Imran Ali arrested.

During interrogation, he confessed not only to zainab but also to involvement similar cases.

5) Trial and conviction

The case was tried in an anti-terrorism court. Imran Ali was sentenced to death on October 17, 2018.

Conclusion

There are many key principle that should be following during criminal investigation. Although Pakistan have many legal order to ensure best criminal investigation like article 172 (case diaries of investigation), Article 4 of constitution allow investigation after FIR. But there many challenges, noncooperation behavior of public, lack of budget. These should be solved for good procedure.