

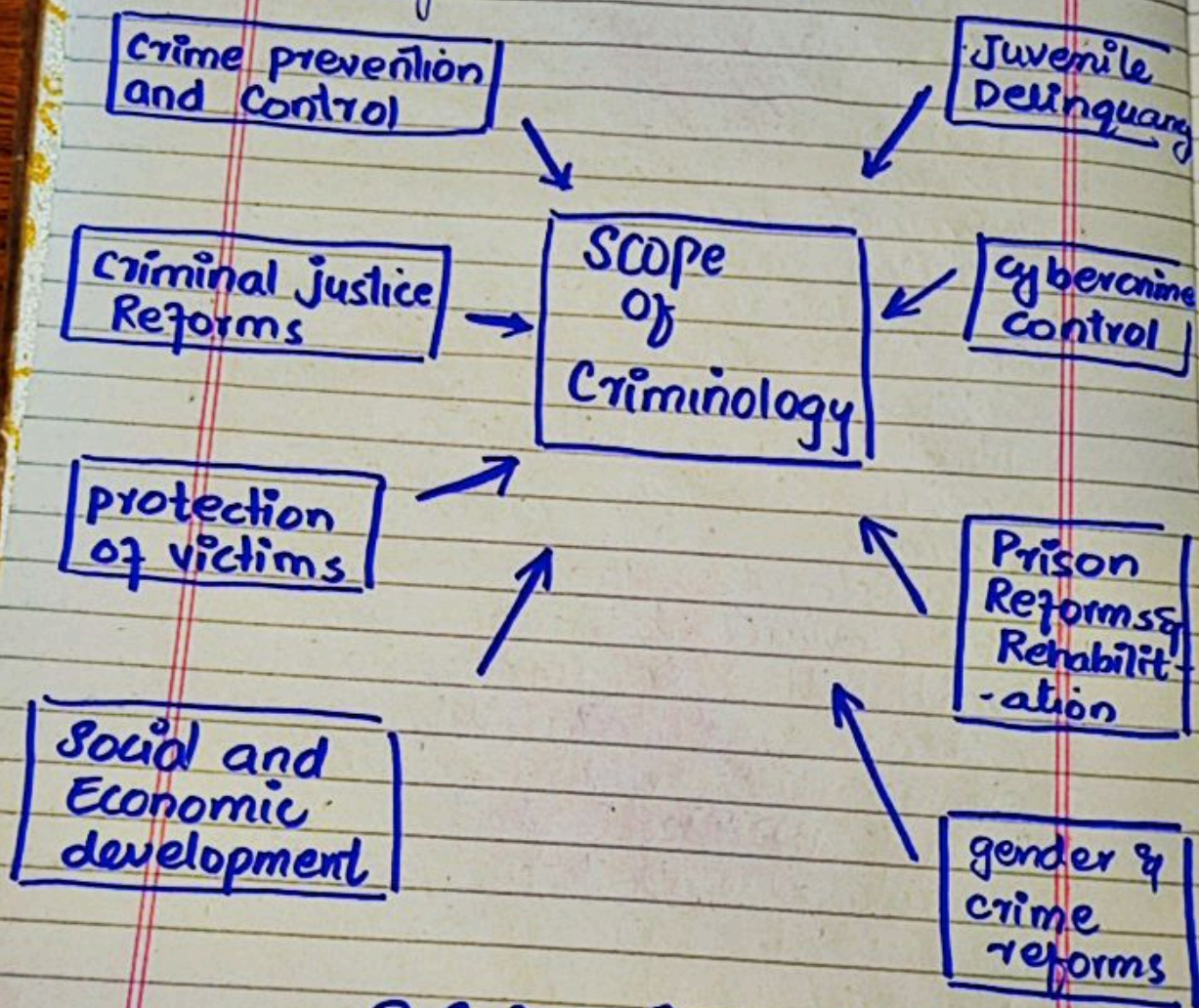
Q Discuss the Scope of criminology and its Significance in Pakistani Society.

Introduction:~ The Scope of criminology is ever-expanding in the modern world, when crime adopts new and complex form. Criminology studies crime, criminal, criminal behavior, and how society reacts to that crime. In Pakistan, where crimes like terrorism, corruption, robbery, and theft especially street crimes threaten social stability, criminology provides vital tools to understand the roots of the deviant behavior and avoid it to maintain peace and stability. preventing crime is not merely the significant but also ensuring justice, protecting victims, and social harmony.

Scope Of Criminology

Criminology has become crucial as it plays a vital role in understanding and recognizing the holistic approach regarding crime, criminals

justice, law, and all the mandatory steps that should be taken against the deviant actions. As they destroy the peace and harmony of the society.



② Crime Prevention And Control

Pakistan faces more street crimes, cybercrimes, and drug trafficking. Criminology helps police and policymakers proving modern methods such

as forensic science, data analysis / collection and surveillance to prevent crime and maintain social stability.

(b) Criminal Justice Reforms:-

Criminology shows the need for police, courts, and prisons. For example, Pakistan criminal justice reform systems struggle much more with delays. Because the number of prisoners increases with the passage of time, due to which enough space required for prisons as old cases are still pending. Criminal justice reforms suggests fast track courts, rehabilitation, speedy trials, parole system, fair policing, alternative punishment.

(c) Protection of victims:

Criminology also ensures justice for victims as many victims in Pakistan do not get fair justice and protection. Criminology basically highlights, counselling, compensation, and witness protection programmes that

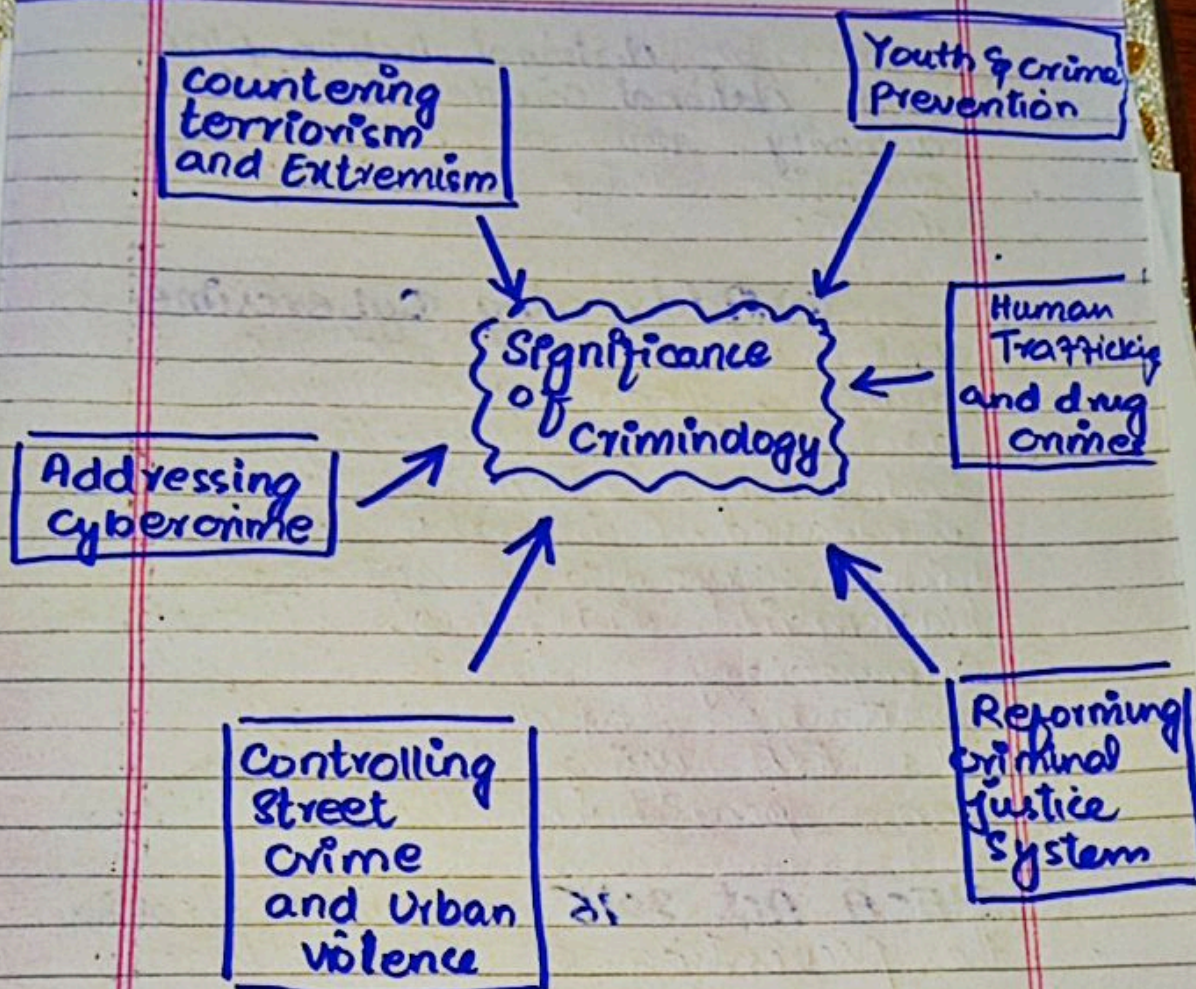
help victims getting fair results and protection

(d) Social And Economic Development:-

As higher crimes, such as money laundering, corruption, smuggling, and tax evasion spoil Pakistan economic growth. **As World Bank (2023) mentioned**, that such economic insecurities reduce foreign investors because they lose trust and do not place in their businesses because the businesses slow down and do not run properly.

(e) Juvenile Delinquency.

Children, that are badly involved in crimes need special handling. criminologists deeply study ~~study~~ different techniques and observe the specific reasons behind the crime. They try to understand and seek, whether the reason behind the crime is poverty, unemployment or lack of opportunities. **Pakistan Juvenile Delinquency** focused on such rehabilitation.



(a) Countering Terrorism And Extremism:

Pakistan has faced a long-lasting dual challenges since decades that are terrorism including suicide bombing and military attacks and extremism composed hate speeches and propagandas. Through studying of radicalization criminology provides rehabilitation and policy community to overcome both terrorism and

extremism. National Action plan
and National Counter Terrorism
authority focus on reducing
terrorism using criminological
insights.

(b) Addressing Cybercrime

With use of internet too
much, illegal cases such
as online blackmailing,
harassment, hacking has
increased. Criminals use
such ways to emotionally
blackmail individuals. Therefore,
Criminology studies these
patterns and support
the FIA wing in tracking
and punishing the offenders.

PECA Act 2016 ensures clearly
the prevention of such crimes

(C) Controlling Street crime and Urban Violence:

Criminologists also provides
positive and assestive strategies
to overcome street crime
such as stealing, harassment,
robbery, and snatching. As
well as it plays a crucial
role in dismantling urban
violence when an offender
snatching some precious item

and the victim refuse to give.

(d) Youth And Crime Prevention:

When Youth whether educated or uneducated do not get employment and job opportunities, when they face extreme poverty and cannot meet their basic needs, they turn to joint criminal groups and through illegal ways they fulfill their requirements. But criminology helps them providing training and rehabilitation. Such crimes can be wisely stopped through job opportunities, access needs, and social awareness.

(e) Reforming Criminal Justice System:

Criminology helps in ensuring court system, police system and providing justice to victims. Criminal justice system always struggle with delays. Because many cases are pending due to which prisons are full of prisoners with their case solved. So criminology plays a vital role in

highlighting fast track courts,
-speedy trials, rehabilitation
etc to provide fair results.

Conclusion:

Criminology has a decisive
role in Pakistan as it
plays a crucial role in
dismantling social evils
and deep rooted crimes
which have spread through
lack of availability, education
and social awareness. Through
diverse ways such as
prevention, protection, strategies
and techniques, criminology
helps to demolish them
and maintain stability
and peace. Criminology
has also a significant
role in dealing different
aspects of crime and
it can be stopped by
ensuing strong laws enforced
, strengthen justice and
reduce recidivism.