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Law of Crimes II Sem II

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In offences relating to marriage to we shall be discussing on Bigamy and Adultery.

Bigamy has been defined under section 494 IPC. It says that whoever marries for second time having a husband or wife living then such marriage would be void. Because such marriage has been performed during the life-time of such husband or wife. Bigamy has been made punishable under section 494 IPC

This section does not apply to muslim males who are allowed to marry more than one wife but it applies to muslim females, hindus, christians and parsis of either sex.

Bigamy has following exceptions

1. This section does not extend to any person whose marriage with such husband or wife has been declared void by competent court of law.
2. This section shall not be applicable where person contracts a marriage during the life time former husband or wife , at the time of such marriage if such husband or wife have been continually absent from such person for the space of 7 years and shall not have been heard as being alive within that time.
3. Provided the person contracting such subsequent marriage informs about earlier marriage to the person with whom subsequent marriage is cotracted.

Stay fit . Students

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