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Chapter 11

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Ans.

Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act and Rules

→ The Medical Termination of pregnancy Act 1971 and Rules 1975 and regulations 1975 set standards for certain cases of Pregnancy termination by the registered medical Practitioners and related matters

Objectives

- To prevent unsafe abortion , which causes death of women.
- to prevent unnecessary abortion.
- to legalise abortion services.

Conditions in which Termination of pregnancy is allowed are Following :

- ▲ A woman can medically terminate her pregnancy if there is a risk to her physical or mental health.
- ▲ or if there are foetal malformation (body parts not formed correctly).
- ▲ or if she became pregnant due to failure of any contraceptive method or device.
- ▲ or if she became pregnant as a result of rape.

Opinion required for termination of pregnancy

- ◇ Pregnancy termination up to 20 weeks of gestation the opinion of one Registered medical practitioner is required.
- ◇ Two register medical practitioner 's opinion are required for termination of a pregnancy between 20-24 weeks of gestation.
- ◇ State level medical board 's opinion is required for termination of a pregnancy after 24 weeks of gestation if there are significant foetal abnormalities.

Place where pregnancy may be terminated

- A hospital established or maintained by government.
- or a place for the time being approved for the purpose of termination of pregnancy by government.

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