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1. Which of the following are principles related to primogeniture in succession rules?

- I. Eldest child inherits everything.
- II. Youngest child inherits everything.
- III. Inheritance is based on seniority.
- IV. Property is equally divided among siblings.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) I and III only
- (2) II and III only
- (3) I and IV only
- (4) III and IV only

Answer Key: 1

Solution:

Statement I (Correct): Primogeniture specifically refers to the eldest child inheriting everything.

Statement II (Incorrect): This describes ultimogeniture, not primogeniture.

Statement III (Correct): Seniority can imply age-based criteria like in primogeniture.

Statement IV (Incorrect): Equal division among siblings contradicts the exclusive inheritance of primogeniture.

Hence, the correct answer is Option (1).

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2. In the context of descent groups, which of the following statements about property control are accurate?

- I. Corporate property is managed by the family.
- II. Self-acquired property can be willed freely.
- III. Corporate property can be sold by individual choice.
- IV. Self-acquired property is shared among all descendants.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) I and III only
- (2) II and III only
- (3) I and II only
- (4) II and IV only

Answer Key: 3

Solution:

Statement I (Correct): Corporate property is typically managed collectively by the family or descent group.

Statement II (Correct): Individuals have the freedom to will their self-acquired property as they see fit.

Statement III (Incorrect): Corporate property is not subject to individual disposal; it requires group consensus.

Statement IV (Incorrect): Self-acquired property does not automatically become shared among all descendants unless specified in a will.

Hence, the correct answer is Option (3).

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3. Consider the following statements regarding the succession to ritual offices in lineage-based societies:

- I. Succession is always hereditary.
- II. Ritual offices can be elective.
- III. Lineage head is always the eldest male.
- IV. Ritual roles may pass to a specially trained individual.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) I and III only
- (2) II and III only
- (3) II and IV only
- (4) I and IV only

Answer Key: 3

Solution:

Statement I (Incorrect): While often hereditary, succession to ritual offices can also involve election or

designation based on special qualifications.

Statement II (Correct): Ritual offices can indeed be elective, especially in societies that emphasize spiritual or ritual competence.

Statement III (Incorrect): The lineage head being the eldest male is a common but not universal rule.

Statement IV (Correct): In many societies, ritual roles require specific training and can pass to individuals who are specially prepared, irrespective of their lineage position.

Hence, the correct answer is Option (3).