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3. In the context of joint family systems and inheritance laws, analyze the following statements:

- I. When a Karta in a Hindu Undivided Family (HUF) exercises his authority, he primarily acts as a fiduciary for the coparceners, with limited discretion over family assets.
- II. The concept of partible inheritance implies that a deceased's estate is divided equally among all heirs, regardless of their relationship or status.
- III. Impartible inheritance typically involves the entire estate passing intact to a single heir, often based on principles of primogeniture or family tradition.
- IV. The Karta's authority is absolute and unchallengeable within the joint household, extending to decision-making on family property, maintenance, and disputes.
- V. In a joint household, the lineal succession determines inheritance based on direct descent, while collateral succession considers relatives outside the direct line of descent.

Select the correct answer from the options given below:

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

Answer Key: 2

Solution:

? Statement I(Incorrect): The Karta's role is fiduciary but also includes significant authority over family assets, often with discretionary powers. His authority is not merely limited but central, although subject to certain customary and legal constraints.

? Statement II(Correct): Partible inheritance involves dividing the estate among heirs, which can be equal or proportionate, but the core idea is division among heirs, not necessarily uniform.

? Statement III(Correct): Impartible inheritance involves passing the entire estate to a single heir, often based on traditions like primogeniture or specific family customs. It generally prevents division.

? Statement IV(Incorrect): The Karta's authority is significant but not absolute or unchallengeable; legal and customary limitations exist.

? Statement V(Correct): Lineal succession involves inheritance through direct descent (children, grandchildren), while collateral succession involves relatives like siblings, cousins, etc., outside the direct line. Hence, Option (2) correctly identifies the statements that are accurate and relevant to the topics.

?Hence line.?

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4. Analyze the following statements related to inheritance principles and succession:

- I. Under the doctrine of partible inheritance, the estate of a deceased is divided among heirs, but the division does not necessarily follow a fixed pattern and can vary based on customs.
- II. Impartible inheritance often results in the entire estate passing to the eldest son or designated heir, maintaining the unity of the estate.
- III. Lineal succession strictly considers descendants in direct line, such as children and grandchildren, for inheritance purposes.
- IV. Collateral succession involves heirs related through lateral lines, such as siblings, uncles, and cousins, rather than through direct descent.
- V. The concept of primogeniture is incompatible with the idea of partible inheritance, as the former emphasizes inheritance by the firstborn only.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

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

Answer Key: 1

Solution:

? Statement I(Correct): Partible inheritance allows for flexible division among heirs, often governed by

customs or family arrangements, not necessarily fixed.

? Statement II(Correct): Impartible inheritance tends to pass the entire estate intact, often to the eldest son, preventing division.

? Statement III(Correct): Lineal succession is based on direct descent?children, grandchildren?focusing on direct line of inheritance.

? Statement IV(Incorrect): Collateral succession deals with relatives outside the direct line, such as siblings and cousins, not directly related descendants.

? Statement V(Incorrect): Primogeniture emphasizes inheritance by the firstborn, which aligns with impartible inheritance, but it is not incompatible with partible inheritance; the two concepts are distinct but can coexist in different systems.

Hence, Option (1) is correct.

?Hence line.?

****Note:**** The questions are designed to be extremely analytical, requiring thorough understanding and comparison of inheritance and succession principles, and avoiding straightforward or superficial interpretations.