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Understanding Our Criminal Justice System

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Q2. What is the role of the Public Prosecutor?

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Q1. State two reasons why you believe that different persons need to play different roles as part of the criminal justice system.

Ans. Different persons need to play different roles as part of the criminal justice system because:

- i. A single person cannot have all the qualification required to perform different functions such as arresting, defending, collecting evidences, and giving final judgment.
- ii. To avoid the misuse of power and unfairness in the results.

Q2. What is the role of the Public Prosecutor?

Ans. In court, it is the Public Prosecutor who represents the interests of the State. The role of the Prosecutor begins once the police has conducted the investigation and filed the chargesheet in the court. He/she has no role to play in the investigation. The Prosecutor must conduct the prosecution on behalf of the State. As an officer of the court, it is his/ her duty to act impartially and present the full and material facts, witnesses and evidence before the court to enable the court to decide the case.

Q3. What is the role of judge in Criminal Justice System?

Ans. The judge is like an umpire in a game and conducts the trial impartially and in an open court. The judge hears all the witnesses and any other evidence presented by the prosecution and the defence. The judge decides whether the accused person is guilty or innocent on the basis of the evidence presented and in accordance with the law. If the accused is convicted, then the judge pronounces the sentence. He may send the person to jail or impose a fine or both, depending on what the law prescribes.