

ISSUE

**Capital punishment, also known as the death penalty, is the execution of a person by the state as punishment for a crime. Crimes that can result in a death penalty are known as capital crimes or heinous crime. In most places today, death penalty is reserved as punishment for premeditated murder, espionage, treason, or in a military court-marshal verdict. In some countries, sexual crimes, such as, sexual assault and extramarital relationship also carry a death sentence, similar to religious crimes., like apostasy.**

Vocabulary

Apostasy



Espionage



Adultery

### Response

1. Define capital Punishment?
2. Enumerate crimes which are punishable by capital punishment.
3. Is capital punishment legal in your country?



### Justify your answer

1. Do you think that death penalty is an appropriate punishment for terrorism and murder?
2. Despite the existence of death penalty, heinous crimes are still widespread. What do you think is lacking?
3. Do you think there should be a demarcation line as to what form of punishment be given to juvenile crimes?
4. If apostasy is punishable by death penalty, is it justifiable when the act coincides with exercising one's freedom?
5. How does law shape the society? Please explain.