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- Hurt is one of the important offence against the human body
- Section 319 to 338 of IPC deals with the provisions relating to hurt in various forms.



- **Section 319** defines simple hurt and
- **Section 320** defines grievous hurt



Grievous hurt (section 320)

- There are eight serious hurts incorporated and treated as grievous hurt they are as follows-
 1. Emasculation(deprivation of masculine vigour of a male person)
 2. Permanent privation of the sight of either eye
 3. Permanent privation of the hearing of either ear

4. Privation of any member or joint
5. Destruction or permanent impairing of the powers of any member or joint
6. Permanent disfiguration of the head or face
7. Fracture or dislocation of a bone or tooth
8. Any hurt which endangers life or which causes the sufferer to be during the space of twenty days in severe bodily pain or unable to follow his ordinary pursuits.

Voluntarily causing hurt(section 321)

- Section 321 says that whoever does any act with the intention of thereby causing hurt to any person or with the knowledge that he is likely thereby to cause hurt to any person and does thereby cause hurt to any person is said voluntarily to cause hurt.

Punishment for voluntarily causing hurt (section 323)

- It says that whoever causes hurt shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to one year or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees or with both.

Voluntarily causing grievous hurt(section 322)

- Section 322 says that whoever voluntarily causes hurt if the hurt which he intends to cause or knows himself to be likely to cause is grievous hurt and if the hurt which he causes is grievous hurt is said voluntarily to cause grievous hurt.

Illustration

- **A** intending or knowing himself to be likely permanently disfigure **Z**'s face gives **Z** a blow which does not permanently disfigure **Z**'s face, but which causes **Z** to suffer severe bodily pain for the space of twenty days. **A** has voluntarily caused grievous hurt.

Punishment for voluntarily causing grievous hurt(325).

- Whoever voluntarily causes grievous hurt shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to seven years and also be liable to fine.

Punishments

- Sections 323 to 338 explains the provisions of punishments against the causing of grievous hurt depending upon the circumstances. Section 324 imposes punishment of imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to three years or with fine or with both for voluntarily causing hurt by dangerous weapons or means.
- Section 326 imposes punishment of imprisonment for life or with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to ten years and shall also be liable to fine for voluntarily causing grievous hurt by dangerous weapons or means.
- Section 327 imposes punishment with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to ten years and shall also be liable to fine for voluntarily causing hurt to extort property or to constrain to an illegal act.