

" Key Points that are help to write law in a ranker style "

- ① Question number in the ~~center~~ centre of Answer sheet
- ② Write answer in point wise form instead of paragraphs.
- ③ Try to give example , in case of direct Question.
- ④ Leave one line space between each Point.
- ⑤ Section Number is beneficial to write but not mandatory.
- ⑥ Don't write section Number unless you are 100% sure that section number is correct.
- ⑦ Use a,b,c,d as bullet while writing points instead of 1,2,3---
- ⑧ Solve the question within the time allocated for each question based on the marks
- ⑨ In question of "difference between two concept" Also add column of 'Basis of difference' only when you are sure that you remember all the headings of the column.
- ⑩ for case study questions follow the following format.
  - (a) Relevant Provision (b) facts of case (summary)
  - (c) Analysis and conclusion .

## INDIAN CONTRACT ACT, 1872

Applicable to the whole of India. Effect - 1 Sep 1872

### Unit - 1 Nature of contract:

#### \* Offer - [Section 2(a)]

- When one person expresses to another his willingness
- His willingness is manifested by some language or words
- to do, or (positive act)
- to abstain from doing anything [negative act]
- with a view (intention)
- To obtain assent of other party
- for such act or abstinence he is set to make a proposal
- willingness + with intention to obtain assent = offer

#### \* Essential of offer / proposal

- ① Offeror ↔ Offeree  
Promisor ↔ Promisee  
Proposer ↔ Acceptor
- ② Party must express his willingness to do or not to do something
- ③ Offer
  - Positive - doing
  - Negative - not doing
- ④ Offer must be made with intention to obtain assent of the offeree

#### \* kinds of offers :-

- ① General offer → Offer made to public at large.  
Anyone can accept the offer.

case law : Carlill vs carbolic smokeball co.

→ Any one performing the condition of offer can be said to have accepted the offer until offer is withdraw.

② Specific offer :-

→ When offer is made to specific person or ascertained person

→ It can be accepted only by person to whom offer is made

③ Cross offer :-

→ When two parties exchange

→ Identical offers (exactly same - no difference even in amount)

→ In ignorance of time of each other

→ No contract come into Picture

④ Counter offer

→ When a person to whom offer is made accepts the offer by modifying terms and condition of offers.

→ Also known as conditional acceptance

⑤ Standing or continuing or open offer

→ which remained open

→ over a period of time

\* Essentials of valid offer - 1.14

① It must be capable of creating legal relations

→ offer does not intend

→ to give rise to legal consequences

Right to file case against each other

legal effect of offer

Spiral

- and creating legal relations
- It is not considered as a valid offer in the eyes of law

② It must be certain, definite and not vague:

- Terms of an offer must clear
- complete and not confusing
- if it is vague then it cannot create legal relationship.

③ It must be communicated to the offeree:-

- An offer, to be complete
- must be communicated
- to the person to whom it is made.

case laws :- latman shukla vs gauridutt

Acceptance of offer in ignorance of offer is no acceptance.

④ It must be made with a view to obtaining the assent of the other party :-

⑤ It may be conditional :

- Offer can be made.
- subject to any term and conditions by the offeror.

⑥ Offer should not contain a term the non compliance - condition of which would amount to acceptance. This is not valid.

⑦ The offer may be either specific or general.

- It made to either public at large.
- or to the any specific person.

(8) The offer may be express or implied.

- may be made by words
- or by conduct

(9) Offer is different from - Mere statement of intention, Prospectus and advertisement, invitation to offer

#### \* Examples of Invitation to offer - 1.17

- ① Display of goods for sale in window shop
- ② Advertisement Auction sales.
- ③ Quotation of price sent in reply to a question

#### \* Acceptance [section 2(b)]

- "when the person to whom the proposal is made
- signifies his assent thereto
- Proposal is said to be accepted
- The proposal
- When accepted
- become a promise".

#### \* Relationship between offer and acceptance. 1.18

According to "Sir William Anson":

Acceptance is a lighted match to a train of gun powder (offer)

#### Significance

Offer in itself cannot create any legal relationship

#### Conclusion

- Once offer is accepted it becomes Promise and cannot be withdrawn or revoked
- offer becomes contract when accepted

\* Legal rules regarding valid Acceptance

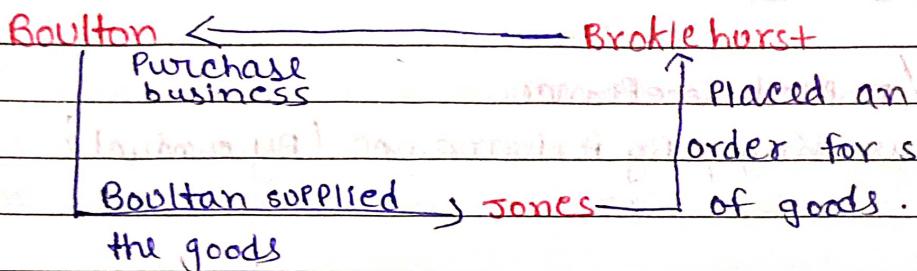
① Acceptance can be given only by the person to whom offer is made:

→ In case of a specific offer,

→ it can be accepted only by the person to whom it is made.

→ to whom it is made.

Case laws :- Boulton vs Jones.



Dictions :- offer was not made to Boulton No contract between Boulton and Jones.

② Acceptance must be absolute and unqualified → unconditional

→ As per section 7 of the act.

in this context

→ Acceptance is valid only

→ when it is absolute and unqualified.

③ Acceptance must be communicated :

→ When the proposal is accepted,

→ the offeree must have knowledge of the offer made to him.

Case law :- [A] Braden vs metropolitan Railway company.

[B] Neale vs merret

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(4) Acceptance must be in prescribed mode.

→ If mode of acceptance is prescribed in the offer

→ It must be accepted in that manner.

(5) Time.

→ must be given in prescribed time OR

→ within the reasonable time.

(6) mere silence is not acceptance.

Case laws : Felthouse vs Bindley

(7) Acceptance by conduct / Implied acceptance.

→ word or mouth, In writing, By Performance (By conduct)

Unit - 2 consideration {something in return}\* Definition of consideration [sec. 2(d)]

- WHEN AT THE DESIRE OF PROMISOR
- THE PROMISEE OR ANY OTHER PERSON
- HAS DONE OR ABSTAINED FROM DOING OR - Past consideration
- DOES OR ABSTAIN FROM DOING - Present consideration
- PROMISES TO DO ABSTAIN FROM DOING SOMETHING - future
- SUCH AN ACT OR ABSTINENCE OR PROMISE IS called consideration.

- ① consideration is an action
- ② consideration is abstinence
- ③ consideration must move at the desire of Promisor
- ④ consideration may move from promisee or any other person
- ⑤ consideration may be past, present, or future.

\* Legal rules regarding consideration

- ① consideration must move at the desire of the Promisor.
  - The act must be done at the desire OR or request of the Promisor.

case law :- [Durga Prasad v/s Baldeo]

Act done at the desire of a third party is not a consideration

- ② consideration may move from promisee or any other person.

→ The act may be done by the promisee himself or any other person.

case law :-

Three Party

- ① old lady
- ② daughter
- ③ maternal uncle

Chinnaya vs Ramayya

Promisor



daughter

other person

promisee



maternal uncle

• Decision :- There was sufficient consideration for uncle by old lady to recover money from daughter.

### ③ Executed and executory consideration :

(i) Executed → consist in performance

(ii) Executory → consist in promise.

Performance is done in advance is called executed

consideration / pending promise is executory consideration.

### ④ Consideration may be past, present and future.

→ for consideration to be treated as past, it must move by previous request.

### ⑤ Consideration need not be adequate :- sufficient

→ i.e. It can be inadequate.

Promise 1 ≠ Promise 2.

### ⑥ Performance of what one is legally bound to perform:

Consideration must not be performance of existing duty.

### ⑦ Consideration must be real and not illusory. - can not be impossible.

### ⑧ must not be unlawful, immoral, or opposed to public policy.

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## Unit - I Contract [Contract Law] Part I Introduction

### \* **Definition of contract** [Sec 2(h)] - 1.3

- (1) An agreement }  
(2) Enforceable by law } **contract**

### \* **Promise** [Sec 2(b)]

- (1) One person makes offer / proposal  
(2) other can accept it  
(3) Proposal → Accepted → Promise

### \* **① Agreement** [sect 2(e)]

- Every promise and Every set of promises forming consideration for each other.

consideration → something in return

money / money's kind

### ② **Enforceability by law**

- (i) All conditions of section [10]

- (ii) legal obligation [Balfour v/s Balfour]

one of the most element

case law :- Balfour v/s Balfour

→ Husband and wife.

England from legions.

→ wife got ill → admitted. It was decided that husband will sent 30 pounds a month as maintenance. husband failed and wife sued him.

Decision :- It is the case of social agreement due to lack of legal obligation.  $\rightarrow$  wife not case to husband. In this case.

Agreement are wider term / contract are narrow term

- ① Offer + Acceptance  $\Rightarrow$  Promise
- ② Promise / set of promise of one party = consideration of Promise. set of Promise  $\Rightarrow$  other party
- ③ Agreement  $\Rightarrow$  Promise + consideration.
- ④ contract  $\Rightarrow$  Agreement + Enforceability by law.

### Agreement

Enforceable by law

contract

Not enforceable by law

not a contract

Example of social agreement. [not enforceable by law].

- ① A and B promise to pay for the studies of their maid's son.
- ② Father promised to pay his son a sum of Rs 1 lakh if his son fails an examination.

Example of illegal agreement. [+] Example - Page No. 15

- ① A agreed to sell 2 kilo of heroine drugs to Mr. B for Rs 1 crore.
- ② A agreed to kill Mr. C if B pays him 10 lakh.

① All agreements are contracts. - Incorrect X

② All contracts are agreements. - Correct ✓

③ Agreements enforceable by law are contracts. - Correct ✓

## \* Essentials of valid contract

① Two Parties

→ One making offer and other party accepting it.

→ contract may be made by :-

(a) Natural Person (b) other person

(having legal existence)

Note :- At the time of dissolution of Partnership Partners distributing property is not a sale.

② Intention to create legal relations :-

Social or domestic type of agreements are not enforceable

③ Other formalities to be complied with in certain cases :-

A contract may be written or spoken writing,

Registered and stamped — In certain case

→ Insurance contract

→ Immovable property.

④ Certainty of meaning :- Agreement → certain (clarity)

↓  
not vague

↑  
clear

to reduce the chances of disputes and Indefinite

⑤ Possibility of Performance agreement

For impossible act is not enforceable.

## \* TYPES OF CONTRACT (BASED ON ENFORCEABILITY)

① Valid contract

It has all essential element of contract.

→ Enforceable by law

- ② **Void contract :-** (void agreement → void ab initio)
- Does not have any legal effect / Impossibility to
  - Not enforceable by law / complete the promise

**Ex :- [8 Nov] contract:**

A - car → B sell car on 10 Nov -  
 ← Rs. 10,000/-

But in 9 Nov, the car was destroyed in fire / It can automatically void.

- ③ **Voidable contract :-** Performed by other Party.  
 (Starred)

Enforceable at the option of aggrieved party.

- ④ **Illegal contract :-** Example : Page no. 15  
 → Forbidden by law. / Not enforceable.

- ⑤ **Unenforceable contract :-**

→ good in substance (see to all elements covered).  
 → But suffer from technical defect.

Basis	Void	Voidable.
meaning	ceases to be enforceable by law	Enforceable at option of aggrieved party.
cause	Subsequent illegality or supervening impossibility.	It consent of party is not free.
of contract	cannot be performed	can be avoided by aggrieved party within reasonable time otherwise performed.

Right does not grant any right to any party. Aggrieved party can rescind the contract.

\* Types of contract on the basis of formation.

① Express offer

Spoken

written

② Implied contract

→ made otherwise than words

Parties never intended

Term and condition are not known

③ Tacit contract

→ Tacit means silent agreement.

→ It is a situation where a contract has to be understood from conduct of parties.

Example :- cash

→ Term and condition are known.

→ no use of word spoken or written.

withdrawal

from ATM.

④ Quasi-contract

→ Not an actual contract.

→ created by law under certain circumstances.

⑤ E - contracts

→ contract is entered → by two or more parties

→ using electronic means

→ such as e-mails

→ is known as e-commerce contract.

\* Types of contract on the Basis of Performance

① Executed contract : contract which is wholly performed

Both parties are performed in advance (contr.)

② Executory contract :

which is partially performed, or wholly unperformed.

a) Unilateral contract :- one sided contract in which only one party performs his obligations.

b) Bilateral contract :-

where obligation of both parties is outstanding.

### Difference between void agreement and Illegal agreement

Basis	void agreement	Illegal agreement.
Scope	Not necessarily illegal	Always void
nature	not forbidden by law	forbidden by law
Punishment	Parties cannot be liable for punishment	Parties liable for punishment
connected collateral	Agreement connected / collateral to void agreement may also be void. It may valid also	connected / collateral agreements are always void.

## Difference between Illegal contract and Illegal Agreement

### Illegal contract

Jab contract kiya tha tab  
wo illegal nahi tha lekin  
Performance date se pehle.  
wo illegal ho gya.

### Illegal agreement

Wo agreement jo beginning  
se hi illegal tha.

## Example of Illegal contract

- section 2(1) - it is a contract which n law forbids to be made.
  - mr. honey singh agreed to sell 4 liquor bottles for Rs 10000  
on 5 Jan 2022 - contract date.
  - Delivery of liquor was scheduled on 10 Jan 2022 → Performance date
  - Govt. Bans Liquor on 7 Jan 2022.
- This contract can automatically be illegal.

## Example of Illegal agreement

- Govt Bans liquor on 7 Jan 2022
- mr. Honey singh agreed to sell 400 liquor bottles to mr. kabir for Rs. 10000 on 8 Jan 2022 (After Ban).
- Delivery of liquor was scheduled on 10 Jan 2022.
- This will be treated as ~~illegal~~ agreement.

## Void contract vs Illegal contract - it is the part of void contract

Impossible ~~to~~ illegal  
(Dj ki Bike jal  
contract)

Jane wala  
example)

void vs Illegal agreement.

void agreement  
11 Reasons

10 Reasons  
can be discuss  
in unit 3

1 Reason  
are  
illegal.  
Spiral  
can be discuss.

Note :- Saare illegal contracts void contracts hotey hai lekin saare void contract Illegal nahi hotey

Saare illegal agreement void agreement hotey hai lekin saare void agreement Illegal nahi hotey

\* collateral Agreement : (Supporting) → loan etc. [ collateral security can be used in illegal work this can be convert in illegal agreement are void. ]

Example :- A can borrow/taken loan from B to give this money to y so y can kill the c.

[ In this case lender/B koo yaa bat Pata thi ki a-e koo marne ke liya 5000 rupees laa raha haa. ]

[ too laufkher hisad see yaal illegal agreement mana jayegay ]

### \* Unenforceable contract.

Section 2(i) - where a contract is good in substance but because of some technical defects i.e absence in writing or barred by limitation etc. One or both the parties cannot sue upon it it is described an unenforceable contract.

Ex → Mr. Gopal has taken goods of Rs. 2 lakh from Vasooli Bhai in 2015 on credit → valid contract.

But no payment has been received since 2015 by Vasooli Bhai

In 2018, Vasooli Bhai wants to file case against Mr. Gopal for recovery of money.

As per Limitation Act; debt due cannot be legally collectable after expiry of 3 years

3 years already expired. Hence Vasooli can not case file.

\* Communication of offer and acceptance

communication of offer and acceptance / when complete?

offer → when it comes to the knowledge of the person to whom it is made.

acceptance

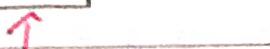
→ When it comes to the knowledge of the person to whom it is made → As against whom it is made → offeror and offeree.

when it is put in a course of transmission

when it comes to the knowledge of offeror.

offeror

mr. A



offer letters

put in course of transmission on

1<sup>st</sup> April



offers letter reaches 5th april

when it comes to the knowledge of proposer.

Acceptance letter reaches

on 10<sup>th</sup> April

Acceptance letters put in course of Transaction

7<sup>th</sup> April.

mr. B

offeree

communication

offer.

is complete

communication of acceptance is complete against acceptor

communication of acceptance is complete as against of offeror

communication of offer - when it is complete by post?  
Offeror dispatched letter of offer on 02/01/20xx  
letter of offer received by offeree on 03/01/20xx  
letter of offer read by offeree on 04/01/20xx  
communication of offer is completed when offer comes to knowledge of the offeree (i.e. on 04/01/20xx)

Note:- If date of reading is not given in question.  
Then assume it is read on the same day it is received.

### Revocation of offer

Offeror dispatched letter of offer on 01/01/20xx  
letter of offer received by offeree on 03/01/20xx  
letter of offer read by offeree on 04/01/20xx

### When it is completed?

Offeree dispatched letter of acceptance on 06/01/20xx  
letter of acceptance received by offeror on 09/01/20xx  
letter of Acceptance read by offeror on 10/01/20xx

Jethalal cannot revoke offer on or after  
06/01/20xx

### case ①

letter of revocation of offer posted by Jethalal on  
02/01/20xx

letter of revocation of offer reached Iyer on 05/01/20xx

Is revocation valid?

Yes

case-2

letter of revocation of offer posted by Jethalal on

02.01.20XX

letter of revocation of offer reached lawyer on 07.01.20XX

**Is revocation valid?**

**NO**

**Modes of revocation of offer:** 1. 2. 3.

Note: In English law, only revocation of offer is allowed but revocation is not allowed. But in India, both are allowed.

- Notice of revocation
- Lapse of time
- Non-fulfilment of condition Precedent.
- Death or Insanity.
- Counter offer [conditional acceptance.]
- Subsequent illegal
- non-acceptance of offer as per usual / prescribed mode.

**Modes of communication of acceptance:** 1. 2. 3.

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**By Act**

**By 'omission' to do something**

**By conduct**

express acceptance.  
[oral, written].

## \* Upto when Revocation can be done ? 1.22.

offer

Acceptance

Anytime before acceptance is complete as against offeror but not afterwards.

Anytime before acceptance is complete against acceptor but not afterwards.

## \* when communication of Revocation is completed.



As against the person who makes it

As against the person to whom it is made

when it is put in a course of transmission so as to be out of power of person who makes it

when it comes to his knowledge.

Example :- Mr. A revokes his offer on 4<sup>th</sup> April and it reaches B on 6<sup>th</sup> April.

Then, Mr. A communication of revocation is complete on 4<sup>th</sup> April.

→ Against B → 6<sup>th</sup> April.

Similarly

B send revocation of acceptance on 8<sup>th</sup> April, reaches to A on 9<sup>th</sup> April, then -

→ Against B → 8<sup>th</sup> April

→ Against A → 9<sup>th</sup> April

- \* Acceptance over telephone or telex or fax or email  
→ contract is complete only when acceptance received from offeree.

Note :- [Intertel Ltd vs Miles Forecast Co.]

- call drops and disturbance in line, there may not be valid contract.

### \* communication of special condition

- Special condition are ~~not~~ conveyed tacitly-silently and they accepted also tacitly.

Note :- In any event, acceptor is treated as having accepted special condition.

case law :- Mukul Datta vs Indian Airlines

Ticket conditions :-

- ① self responsible for any damage
- ② If delay, we are not responsible.

case law :- Lily white vs R. manuswamy

Notice of condition mandatory.

- word like see back for conditions, please turn over, subject to terms and conditions are indicative of reasonable notice.
- conditions are binding, even if the acceptor could not understand it.

No notice — Acceptor not bound

A  
Acceptor will not incur any obligation

B  
condition

delivered after contract

C  
IP condition

Document do not give notice of special condition

are not brought to his notice

case law :- [Railways transport co. vs. Ghanashyam N. Ng]

facts :-

- Transport carrier accepted goods without conditions
- subsequently issued circular to owner limiting his liability

Decision :- Since special condition not communicated prior to contract, not binding to owner.

Example of standard form of contracts.

A can buy some goods to supplier B on 4th April on this date any type of condition can't be forced

in Bill. after 6th April supplier can msg. to A

to follow new condition. give answer kya

A too condition follow karne hgi - According to law.

[The answer is NO]

\* Basic concept are not in book but important to concept clarity.

- Party to contract
- Stranger to contract
- stranger to consideration

Example :-

Three parties :- salman , Aishwarya and Abhishek.

Salman can ask to aishwarya kya tum mera flat Rs 5 crore mal loge on 10th Jun

Aishwarya reply yes.

On 10th June salman cancelled the promise In this case only aishwarya can case against ~~Abhishek~~. Salman

→ Party to contract → Salman and Aishwarya.

→ Stranger to contract → Abhishek other party can not case against Party to contract (diffident)

→ Stranger to consideration → no Party to contract jiski consideration nahi hoga aur koi case nahi hoga.

\* Some important concepts for related to upcoming concepts.

① What is special contract?

There are two types of contract

(i) General contract - To applicable to all.

(ii) Special contract - these are those contract which are applicable to the special case. (This contract are deeply communicated in inter).

Example :- In the school the boys all rules are 100 go rules are applicable to all but the remaining 10 rules are applicable to that boys only. This 10 boys case are [special]

② What is contract of indemnity ??

Promise to save from losses

Insurance company best example.

[Ex: A koo dar tha ke uski bike chorai naa hoo jaya]

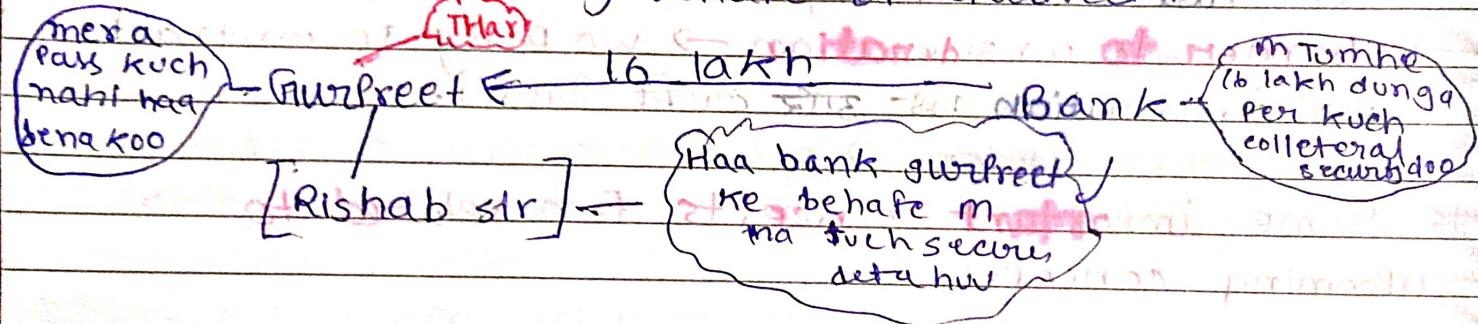
Insurance co. → bike loss compensate → Mr. A  
4000 p.a = Premium.

③ What is contract of Guarantee ??

Example: Three Parties

- ① Bank → Paise doo loan (creditor)
- ② Gurpreet → Debtor Bank see Paise mukher Thar car lauga.

- ③ Rishab → Security behafe of Gurpreet.



④ What is contract of bailment ??

Owner alone goods kisi aur Person ko kisi bhi purpose ke liye deta hai and wo purpose complete hone ke baad goods owner too return ho sakte haa.

Ex → Sunita → Cloth → Tailor / Z → Scooty Kharab ho gayi

⑤ Contract of Pledge (Goods)

[रियो रखना]

Mr. Z → [loan] → Bank

Jewellery pledge.

Spiral

⑥ Contract of Agency : [Agent rakhlena]  
 love sir → **ghar** after love sir appointed a agent for  
 (Bhawna) sale → help in selling the house.  
 agent → Shyam

- \* Suit by a third Party to a contract → consideration may come from third Party.
- Only a person who is party to a contract can sue on it.
- The above rule is "doctrine of Privity of contract".
- Stranger to a contract cannot sue is known as a doctrine of Privity of contract.

Exceptions:  
 → **stranger to contract**: Parties to contract case

### \* Exception to the above rule:

#### ① In case of trust:

→ Beneficiary can enforce his right.

Ex :- **settler** - [John uncle] → **property** → **Advocate** - **Trustee**  
 ↓  
**Beneficiary** [elder daughter] 15 years

#### ② In case of a family settlement:

→ If term of contract in writing

→ members of family who was not a Party to contract can enforce the same.

- ③ In case of certain marriage contract / arrangement.
- Provision may be made for benefit of person.
  - He/she may file suit even though not Party to a contract.
- Mr A and Miss X husband - wife / Mr. Z - Miss X father.
- Mr. A promises Miss X to treat her well after her treatment.
- Mr. A promised Simran's father that he will treat his wife (X) properly or else he will pay her monthly allowance after Mr. A has issued a false bill. → Can Miss X sue Mr. A for ill treatment?
- Yes.

#### ④ In case of Assignment of contract.

- When benefit assigned under contract.
- Assignee can enforce it [Apne Right Ko Kisi aur ko Transfer Karne]

#### ⑤ Acknowledgment or estoppel

- When a person represents himself as an agent of third party.
- It would result into binding obligation towards third party.

#### ⑥ Contract entered through an agent.

- Principal can enforce the contract if agent acted in scope of authority and in name of Principal.

Same as contract of agent.

Restriction and condition.

#### ⑦ In case of covenant running with the land.

- Person who purchases land with notice that owner of land is bound by certain duties.
- covenant may be enforced by successor of seller.

## \* Validity of an agreement without consideration [1.38]

No consideration, No contract.

The general rule is that an agreement made without consideration is void (section 5).

In every valid contract, consideration is very important. A contract may only be enforceable when consideration is there.

However, the Indian Contract Act contains certain exceptions to this rule.

### ① Nature love and affection:

condition agreement [sec 11] - section.

(i) must be made by natural love and affection.

(ii) Parties - near relation

(iii) writing

(iv) Registered

### ② Compensation for past voluntary services.

conditions [sec 25(2)]

(i) services - voluntarily

(ii) services - Promisor

(iii) Promisor - intended to compensate

(iv) Promisor must be in existence

case (1) Shyam (ka wallet khogya) ← Anuradha (Reward 500)  
(no general offer)

case (2) Shyam (ka wallet khogya) ← Anuradha (Shyam  
cam  
Promise  
to anu)

### ③ Promise to pay time barred debt.

- Promise → writing
- signed → by person or his authorised agent to pay time barred debt / valid.

Ex :- Mr. Gopal has taken goods of Rs 2 lakh from Vasooli Bhai in 2015 on credit.

But no payment has been received since 2015 by Vasooli Bhai. In 2022, Vasooli Bhai wants to file case against Mr. Gopal for recovery of money.

As per Limitation Act, debt due cannot be legally collectable after expiry of 3 years.

Vasooli can not recover the amt because time barred debt.

#### ④ Agency.

→ As per section 185 of ICA, 1872

→ No consideration is necessary for agency.

#### ⑤ Completed gift

Rule :- NO consideration, no contract.

does not apply to completed gift

Explanation section (1) to (25)

Section 25 does not affect the validity as between donor and donee of any gift actually made.

[gift usuting mere lekh ke dena + completed gift nahi hota or practical gift (real mai) dena hua completed gift hota]

#### ⑥ Bailment.

→ Bailment as the delivery of goods

→ from one person to another for same purpose

→ this delivery is made upon a contract

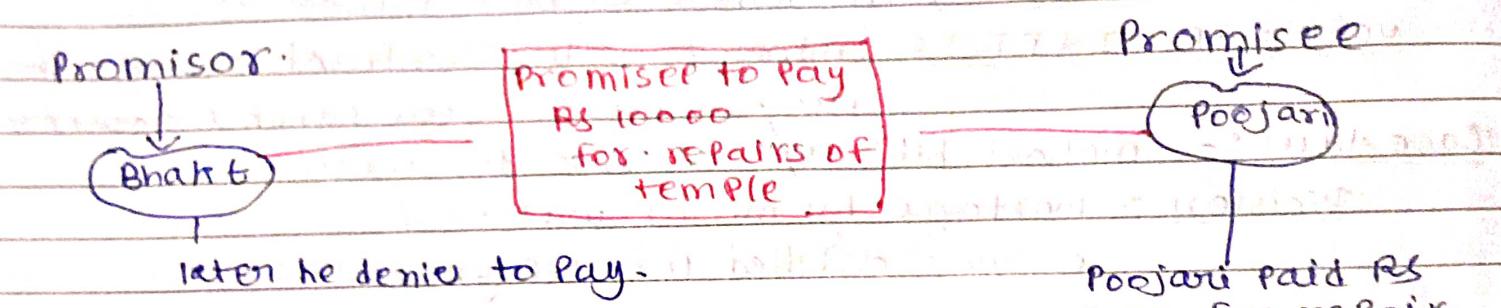
→ that post accomplishment of the purpose,

→ goods either return or disposed of.

according to the direction of the person delivering them.  
→ No, consideration is required to affect a contract of bailment.  
eg - gave a bike to friend for some time.

- ③ charity
- If promisee takes liability
  - on promise of person
  - to contribute to charity
  - contract shall be valid.

case law :- [Kedarnath vs Gorie Mohammad]



Poojari can recover the amount paid by him by Bhakt from promisee.

→ Yes, if a debt will be at all paid by Bhakt.

It is a valid contract.

## UNIT - 3 : Other Essential Elements of a contract

### 3.1 \* Capacity to contract

Competence of the Party to make contract

\* Who is competent?

- major/minor [A] → major - 18 years com' minor - less than 18 yrs
- sound mind [B] [see 12.]
- No disqualifed by law

### [A] \* Law relating to minor's agreement / position of minor:

① A contract made with minor or by a minor is void - AB - INTRO : (minor ke saath contract karienge to usse void mana jayega kanun ki nazarm)

Case law :- mohori bibi v/s dharma das Ghose.

Decision :- mortgage by minor was void

B was entitled for repayment

② NO Ratification after attaining majority:

Subsequent approval.

Pehle hum minor the tab contract kiya tha or ab hum major ho gaye, to Pehle jo contract banaya usse hum ratify nahi kar sakte.

③ minor can be a beneficiary or can take benefit out of a contract.

→ It means Promisory note executed in favour of minor is valid.

→ contract act do not prevent minor from taking benefit. (Agar minor ko benefit ho raha hai to valid contract ho.)

request

- ④ A minor can always plead minority:  
 → Rules of estoppel cannot be applied against him  
 → He is allowed to plead minority in defence.  
 (Koi minor galte se contract kar leta hai fir  
 vo baad me request kar sakte hai ki vo minor ha)

- ⑤ Liability for necessities:  
 → Liabilities for necessities to minor is enforceable by law.  
 → Minor is not personally liable; only his property is liable.

Two conditions (to liable minor's property)

- (a) Contract must be for goods.  
 → reasonably necessary  
 → for his support  
 → in station in life.  
 (b) Minor must not have already sufficient supply of necessities.

- ⑥ Contract by guardian - how far enforceable?  
 → which is within his competence.  
 and  
 → for benefit of minor  
 → valid contract.

(Agar guardian contract kar sake hai minor ke liye.  
 or usse minor ko sirf benefit milega tab vo valid contract hoga).

⑦ No specific performance :- (Jo promise kiya hai vo nibhana nahi Padega minor ko)

→ A minors agreement being absolutely void

→ no specific performance of such an agreement.

⑧ No insolvency :- (minor insolvent nahi ho saktा है)

→ A minor cannot be declared insolvent.

⑨ Partnership :- (minor partner nahi ban saktा है लेकिन beneficiary ban saktा है)

→ cannot be a Partner in a partnership firm but

→ can be admitted to the benefits of Partnership.

⑩ minor can be an agent :- (minor agent ho saktा है लेकिन agar voo kuch galat karega to principle liable hoga)

→ minor can act as an agent

→ But he will not be liable to his principle for his acts.

⑪ minor cannot bind parent or guardian :

→ In the absence of authority, liabilities - minor cannot bind parent even for necessities.

→ Parent is liable only when the child is acting as an agent for parents.

(minor ne koi transaction kiya or false nahi diya has to guardian liable nahi hai iske liye minor liable hoga)

⑫ Joint contract by minor and adult :

→ the adult will be liable on the contract and not the minor

[Case law]: Sain Das vs Ramchand

(jab minor or major milke kisi ke sath contract karne  
hah or minor pay na karne too major liable hota hai  
minor liable nahi hota)

(13) surety for a minor:

(minor ke liye surety ho sakte hai jab to major  
guarantor le too)

(14) minor as shareholder

→ A minor cannot be a shareholder of the company

→ A minor, acting through his lawful guardian become  
a shareholder by transfer or transmission of fully  
paid share to him:

(minor shareholder nahi ban sakte lekin unke guardian  
fully paid shares unke naam par transfer kar sakte hai)

(15) liability for torts : civil wrong (mara - mari).

→ minor is liable for tort

→ But not liable for breach of contract.

[B] \* Person of sound mind - [section 12]

→ A person is of sound mind

If → At the time of making contract -

→ capable of understanding the contract

and

→ of forming rational judgement about terms of  
contract.

### [C] \* [contract by disqualifed persons:]

→ Alien enemy, Insolvent, convicts under imprisonment, foreign sovereign etc.

### \* Free consent [Sec 14] 1.48

Consent → Section 13

consensus - ad + idem → agree upon the thing (meeting of minds) In the same sense

### 3.3 Elements vitiating free consent:

- I **Coercion** - section-15
- Act or omission induced by force or threat of force
- committing or threatening to commit an **act forbidden** by IPC [Indian Penal code]
  - Intention of causing any person to enter into an agreement to keep in case of any prejudice of any person.
  - Unlawful detaining** Any property to the prejudice of any person.

### \* [Effect of coercion / consequences / section 19]

- At the time of the contract the coercion can find in contract this effects are taken into force
- (a) voidable at the option of the aggrieved party
- (b) Repay money or thing obtained under coercion. (section 72)

Notes:-

It is not necessary that coercion must not proceed from a party to the contract.

- It is not necessary that coercion must be made with other contracting parties.
- It may be directed against third person.
- It is immaterial whether IPC is in force or not in the place of coercion.

## II Undue Influence [Section 16]

mental pressure

- Any contract is said to be induced/made by undue influence where relation subsisting (exists) between parties are such that:

(a) one Party → position to dominate the will of other  
And

(b) Uses that position to obtain unfair advantage over other

\* essential ingredients under this provision are :-

### ① Relation between the parties :

→ near relation between the two persons.

### ② Position to dominate the will :

→ relation between the parties exists in such a manner

→ that one of them is in a position to dominate the will of the other.

→ A person is deemed to be in dominating position in the following circumstances:-

### ③ Real and apparent authority :-

→ He holds real or apparent authority over other

→ In the case of master and servant, doctor and patient and etc.

### (b) fiduciary relationship :-

→ Relation of trust and confidence

e.g. such type of relation exists between father and son, solicitor and client; husband and wife, creditor or debtor.

### (c) mental distress :-

→ He makes a contract with the person whose mental capacity is temporary or permanently affected by reason of reason of.

→ age → mental or  
illness → bodily distress

### (d) unconscionable bargains :-

→ Unconscionable bargains are witnessed mostly in money-lending transaction and in gifts.

→ **Zyada interest charge kar raha hago market se bhi high hai.**

Eg - lender and customer

### (3) The object must be to take undue advantages:

objective to take advantage of the other

### (4) Burden of Proof :

→ burden of providing the absence of the use of the dominant position to obtain the unfair advantage will lie on the party who is in a position to dominate the will of the other

\* Note :

① No undue influence in the ordinary course of business

② Object must be to take unfair advantage

③ Burden of proof is on a person who is in a dominant position

④ Unconscionable bargain:

→ where contract is apparently unconscionable

→ It is presumed by law that contract is made by undue influence

**Case law:** Kirlal Ram ~~v/s~~ Sams - v/d - din Ad Khan

\* Power to set aside contract induced/made by undue influence [sec 19 (a)]

such contract may be set aside by court either:

→ Absolutely

OR

→ If Party has received some benefit.

→ on such term as court deems fit.

### III Fraud [section 17]

**Fraud means and includes**

commission of following Act

(a) Suggestion as a fact; of something which is not true by a person who does not believe it to be true.

(b) Active concealment of fact by one having knowledge of fact -

(c) promise made without an intention of performing

committed by

(a) a party to contract or

(b) any person with the connivance of party to contract

or

(c) agent of party to contract.

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(d) Any other act fitted to deceive

### Intention

- to deceive another Party or
- To induce another Party to enter into contract.

(e) Any act or omission specifically declared by law to be fraud.

### \* Essential elements of fraud representation

- false
  - Relate → material fact
  - made before conclusion
  - intention to deceive.
- (e) other party.  
→ Relied

→ Induced to act

→ suffered some loss

### \* Explanation to section 17

(A) mere silence as to facts likely to affect the willingness of the person to enter into contract is not fraud.

(B) Exception → silence = fraud.

a) Having regard to the case it is duty of person keeping silence to speak.

(b) where silence is = speech

**Effect :-** Voidable at the option of aggrieved party.

### \* Effect of fraud upon validity of a contract.

- Rescind the contract in reasonable time.
- Sue for damages
- Insist / force performance of contract on condition in

which he would have been in the position if representation had been true.

### \* mere silence is not fraud - 1.53

Wood vs Hobbs

Silence = fraud.

#### 1. Duty of person to speak

- (a) where party stand in fiduciary relationship - near relation (trust)
- (b) contracts of Insurance
- (c) contracts of marriage
- (d) contracts of family settlement
- (e) share allotment contracts

memory technic :-

Relationship share karte se marriage hoti hai fir  
family banti hai jiske baad hum insurance kete hai.

#### 2. Where the silence itself is equivalent to speech

- In case of fraudulent silence, contract is not voidable if the party whose consent was so obtained had the means of discovering the truth with ordinary diligence.
- [Exception to section 19.]

### \* MISREPRESENTATION [section - 19] - 1.54

#### • Positive assertion

- of such fact which is not true, though he believes it to be true.

- made in a manner not warranted by information of the person making it.

- Any breach of duty
  - made without an intention to duveler.
  - But bringing gains and advantage to person committing it.
- Causing other person to make mistake
  - As to substance of subject matter of agreement.

**Note :-** In case of misrepresentation injured party is entitled to -

- to repudiate the contract.
- sue for restitution
- But cannot claim damages.
- Because there is no intention to deceire.

### • Distinction between Coercion and Undue Influence.

Basis of distinction between Coercion and Undue Influence.

1. Section	Defined in Sec. 15	Defined in Sec. 16
2. Nature	Involves Physical force or Threat.	Involves moral pressure.
3. Relationship	Relationship between parties is not necessary.	Some sort of relationship must exist between the parties.
4. Consent	consent is given under obtained the threat of an offence.	consent is obtained by dominating to will, no offence is committed.
5. Exercise	It may move even from by whom a stranger	It employed by the party to contract.

### \* Distinction between fraud and misrepresentation

Basis	Fraud	Misrepresentation
1. Section	Defined in sec. 17	Defined in sec 18
2. Intention	To deceive the other Party by hiding the truth.	There is no such intention to deceive the other Party.
3. Knowledge	The person making the statement believes that the statement as untrue	The person making the statement believes it to be true, although it is not true.
4. Claim	The injured Party can repudiate the contract and claim damages.	The injured Party can repudiate the contract but cannot claim damages.
5. Means	The Party using the fraudulent act cannot secure or protect himself by saving. that the injured Party had means to discover the truth.	Party can always plead that the injured Party had the means to discover the truth.

### \* Legal effects of agreements without free consent - contract not voidable [section 19]

- (A) where consent caused by:  
→ Silence amounting to fraud OR By misrepresentation.

If the Party whose consent was so caused had the means to discover the truth with ordinary diligence.

- (B) A fraud or misrepresentation which did not cause the consent of Party to the agreement.
- (C) where the Party enters into a contract in ignorance of fraud.

## V) Mistake

- If two parties enter into a contract thinking about different subject matter.
- No contract will arise.

Result / Effect :- Mistake may lead / cause a contract towards voidness.

### • Effect of mistake on validity of a contract

#### Mistake

#### Mistake of law

law of his own country / land → foreign law

→ Ignorantia juris non excusat → Sec: 21 Treated as a mistake of fact  
i.e. ignorance of law of land → Agreement is void

→ Such mistake will not affect → Exusable.

the validity of the contract.

→ Sec: 21. Contract is not voidable

→ But, contract is voidable when one party was induced by another.

#### Mistake

#### mistake of fact

#### Unilateral

- only one party is under a mistake
- subject matter ; or
- Expressing or understanding terms or legal effect of agreement.

#### Bilateral

- Section - 21 Both Parties are under a mistake as to a matter of fact essential to agreement

Spiral

### 3.4 [legality of object and consideration]

- which considerations and objects are lawful, and those which are not (section 23) void unless -

- The following is an example of the agreement which is void because of unlawful

Example 39 :- A promises to obtain for B an employment in the public services and B promises in return, to pay 100000 to A. The agreement is void the consideration, being opposed to public policy, is unlawful.

(i) when consideration or object is forbidden by law :

→ vo hai, jo kanun ke nizam me Prohibited / ~~or~~ banned hai consideration or object -

Ex :- A jo hai vo B ke saath chorik ka contract karta hai  
To yee contract forbidden by law hai — void

(ii) when consideration or object defeats the provision of law:

→ aise contract jo lawful hai lekin karne ka tarika galat hai / Rule todna / koe act ka section ka paraj na karna.

Ex :- Purchase laptop without making the payment of GST

(iii) when it is fraudulent : (irada hi dhoka dena hai)

Ex :- out of country ke saath smuggling karna ye apne country ko dhoka dena hua aise contract void hote hai.

(iv) when consideration defeats any rule for the time being in force in India.

(V) When consideration involves injury to the person or property of another: [ <sup>kisi ko ya uske Property ko harm</sup>  
<sup>karne ye unlawful hai.</sup> ]

Ex: A, B ke saath contract karta hai c ka ghar jalane ke liyeisme jo contract hua vo c ke property ko harm kar raha hai isliye ye contract unlawful hai or void hai void = ab-initio hai.

(VI) When consideration is immoral → also ten-den nahi hona chahiye contract me jo kisi ke against <sup>homare valii ke</sup> <sup>or</sup> <sup>against</sup> <sup>Principle</sup>

→ aise consideration go against Public Policy :-

Ex- false ki, kisi ko false dete kisi ki shaadi tod vama [void - ab - initio hai]

(VII) Where consideration is opposed to Public Policy :-  
 → aise consideration go against Public Policy :-

① Trading with enemy - China ke saath sale and purchase  
 ② stifling prosecution → kisi ko court mee jaane se stopna  
 Ex- A ne B ka murder kar diya or C witness tha is case ka lekin A so hai vo & C ko case na karne ke liye darata hai dhamketa hai : or false detar chup rehne bolta hai yaa public policy ke according + hai lekin vo C chup rehta hai to valid contract hai.

③ Trafficking related to Public offices and titles:

→ koi public service ke post ko paisa deke uski Post apne naam karne ye against has Public Policy ke including padma vibhushan reward

④ Agreements tending to create monopolies:

Single sellers create 'Kannan'

⑤ Marriage brokenage agreements: (commission)

→ kisi ki shaadi ke ladda ya ladya diha Paise leta

⑥ Interference with the course of Justice:

→ isme case hone ke baad interference karte hai

→ Jarse hi judge ko Paise dekar apni tawaif kar lena

⑦ Interest against obligation :- Zimedari

Jo kisi ka zimedari hai uske liye Paise nahi maang sakte

⑧ Maintenance and champerty:

no interest      such exchange me maagti hai

malafida hai      bona fide (genuine)  
(intention is not good) (Honesty)      → valid ha!

void.

⑨ consideration unlawful in Part:

Ex:- hum ghar khid rah hai B se or B ko hum drugs de raha hai

### 3.5.1. Void Agreements

Expressly declared void Agreements.

These five agreements are ~~already~~ already covered.

1. made by incompetent parties (section 11)

2. Agreements made under bilateral mistake of fact (sec 20)

3. Agreements the consideration or object of which is unlawful (sec 23)

4. Agreement the consideration or object of which is unlawful in law (sec 24)

5. Agreement made without consideration (sec 25) (sec 24)

### ⑥ Agreement in restraint of marriage (section 26)

→ major ko rot nahi sakte hai bhale vo sign bhi karde ; → other than minor

### ⑦ Agreement in restraint of trade (see 27)

→ if which restrained any person exercising a lawful profession / trade or business of any kind :  
→ is to that extent void.

koء bhi lawful kaam karne se rot nahi sakte hai

#### \* Exceptions :-

##### (1) sale of Goodwill (exception to sec 27)

→ seller of goodwill may agree with buyer.

→ Not to carry on similar business

→ within specified limits

→ limit and conditions must be reasonable.

##### (2) Outgoing Partner agreeing not to carry on similar

business with specified limit or specified period.

(sec 36 of IPA 1932) - Jo company chod ke ja raha hai unko rot sakte hai business karne see

### (3) Agreement of service : (jaha job kar nahi hai raha

ka business hoga nahi kar sakte)

→ breach  
karna

### (4) Agreement in restraint of legal Proceedings (section 28)

→ the one by which any party hence to is.

→ restricted absolutely.

→ from enforcing his right through court.

OR

→ Which limits usual period for starting legal proceeding  
Koi bhi contract ke dwaara hum kisi ko rokté hain to usko  
cancel karne kee sare vo void contract hain.

### \* exceptions

- ① Agreement to subject dispute to arbitration And  
only amount awarded by arbitration is recoverable  
is valid contract.
- ② Dispute/question already arise or which may arise  
in future can be referred.

Note :- It is valid and agreement must be in writing.

- ⑤ Agreement - the meaning of which is uncertain (see q)
- However if meaning is capable of being made  
certain, agreement is valid.

Imp

→ Shatti lagana.

### ⑥ Wagering Agreements (Section 30)

- Agreement involving payment of sum of money upon  
determination of an uncertain event.

### \* Essentials of wagers

- ① Promise to pay money or money's worth
- ② promise → conditional on uncertain event
- ③ each Party - must stand to win or lose.
- ④ common intention of agreement → Bet.
- ⑤ Parties have no interest in event except for stake.

### \* Transactions similar to wager (Gambling)

① Lottery transactions:

② crossword puzzles & competitions:

③ Speculative transactions.

④ Horse Race transactions.

\* Effect of wagering agreements: Wagering agreements are void but not illegal. However in Maharashtra and Gujarat wagering agreements have been declared illegal.

\* Suit to recover money deposited under wagering Agreements:

Money deposited with a person (called stake holder) to be paid to the party winning upon a wager cannot be recovered by the winner. On the other hand, the loser can recover his deposit from the stakeholder. But where the stakeholder pays the money to the winner, the loser cannot recover it from him.

\* Exceptions:

- Transaction resembling with wagering transaction but are not void (valid)

① Chit Fund (kitty Parties)

② Commercial transactions or share market transactions.

③ Games of Skill and Athletic competition

④ A contract of insurance (KBC)

\* Settlement of Price:

Intention of the parties

is to settle the price right from the beginning.

↓  
Wager

↓  
void-ab-intio

Intention of the

parties it was to deals in the good but later on there was an settlement of price.

valid

Spiral

\* Collateral Transaction : The validity of collateral transaction can not be challenged because the main contract which is a wager and have void.

Eg. in a wagering contract the broker is entitled to collect his brokerage.

	<u>Insurance</u>	<u>wagering</u>
Basis	legal or illegal	illegal and void
Beneficial for Public	✓	Opposed to Public Policy
Indemnity	✓	✗
Interest	Insurable	No interest except for state.
Protection of Subject	Both parties Interested	only one party interested.

## UNIT : 4 Performance of a contract

### 4.1 Obligations of parties to contracts (section 37)

① Parties to contract must either

(a) Perform or *of respective*

(b) Offer to perform *promise*

### ② No performance

↓  
(a) Dispensed

Excused

↓  
under any  
provision of  
contract Act

↓  
any other  
law.

③ obligation continues even after death of promisor

→ Representative of promisor will be bound by  
promisee

→ Unless otherwise agreed.

• Exceptions :-

a) Involves personal skill of promisor

b) No provision in contract.

Section 37

contract

↓  
legal, obligation

Perform

offer to

perform

Promisor

legal.

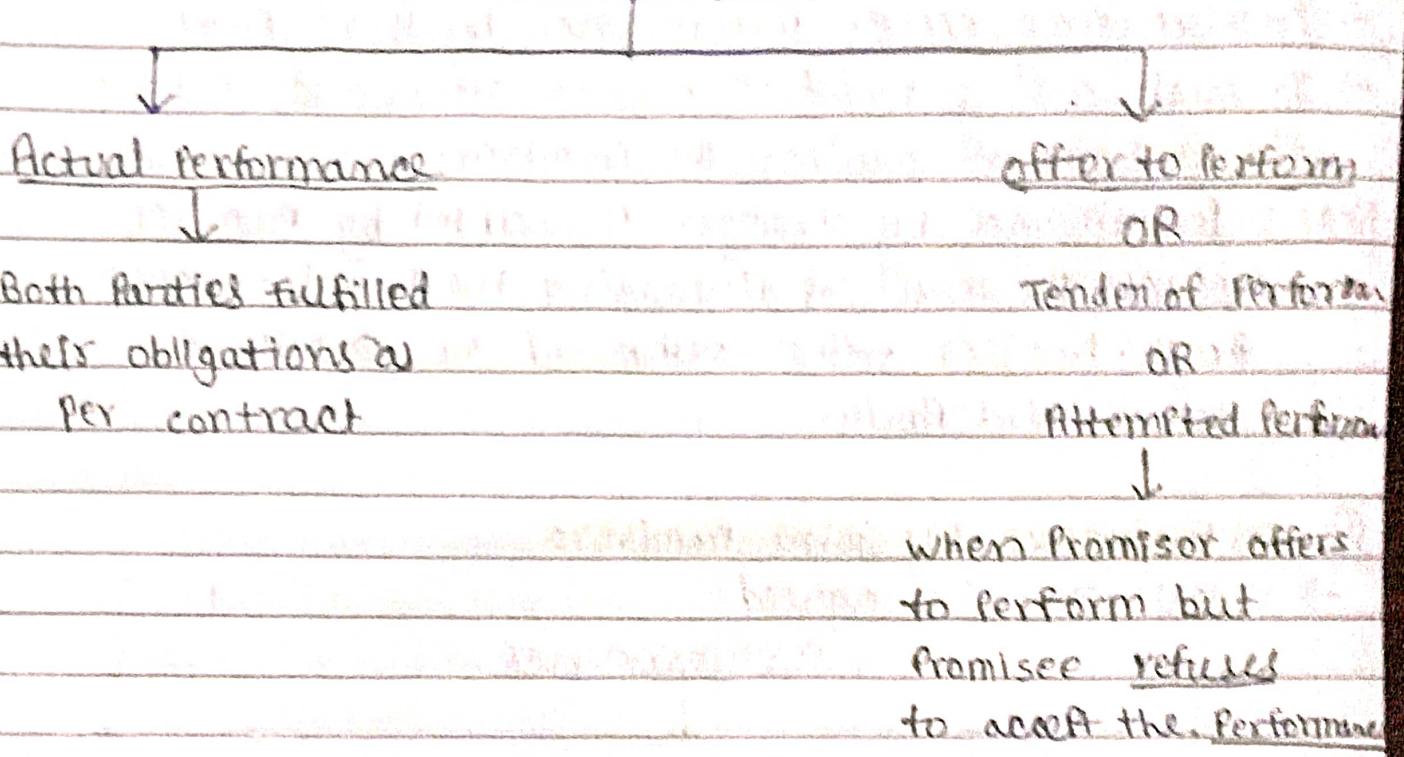
Representative

(only if dead case)

✓ X  
Personal nature

Spiral

## Performance



### 4.4 By whom a contract may be performed (section 40, 41 and 42)

#### ① Only by Promisor

- 1.76

→ (a) If contract shows the intention of the parties that any promise contained in it should be performed by Promisor Himself.

(b) In most cases :- it involves personal skill.

(c) where promise is based on personal confidence between the parties.

#### ② By the Promisor or other.

case other than ①

→ Promisor himself

→ His Representatives or

→ other competent person employed by Promisor  
i.e. representative or agent.

### ③ Performance of promise by third party [sec. 41]

- Promisee may accept performance by third party
- In such case ; Promisee cannot afterwards enforce the performance against the promisor.

Note :- Performance by stranger if accepted by promisee produces the result of discharging the promisor even though promisor neither authorised nor ~~satisfied~~ satisfied act of third party.

### ④ Performance by joint promisors

- Unless otherwise agreed.

#### Performance

During joint lives



All

Death of any of them



Surviving + Representative

of deceased

Death of

Representative of all

↓

### 4.5 Distinction between Succession and assignment

#### Succession

Nature succession occurs by the process of law (i.e compulsory by law).

Transfer Both burden and benefit attaching to the ~~contract~~ contract are transferred to legal heirs.

Liability The person who succeeds is liable only to the extent of properties inherited by him

#### Assignment

Assignment occurs at the wish of the parties (i.e voluntary in nature)

In assignment, only the benefit of the contract can be assigned.

There is no question of liability of the assignee as only benefit is assigned.

Eligibility

A successor must be a family member.

Assignee can be any person.

Example On death of father son succeeds his estate; but he is liable to the extent of his estate received.

A assigns his right to recover money from B to C.

402 and 403

Non Performance / Part performance and non-AcceptanceDefault by Promisee

Refusal to accept performance (section 38)

Default by Promisor

Part Performance (section 38)

DefaultPromiseeDescription

Refusal to accept

Situation

a) Promisor offered to perform his promise

i) to the promisee **OR**

ii) one of joint promisee

AND

(b) Promisee refused to accept performance

Promisor

Part Performance

a) Promisee ready to accept the performance by Promisor but

b) Promisor refused to perform

**OR**

disabled himself from performing promise in completeness

Effect

a) Promisor not responsible for non-performance

b) Promisor does not lose his right under ~~the contract~~

~~the contract~~

(a) Promisee may put an end to contract

(b) where Promisee expressly or impliedly consents for continuance he cannot put an end.

(c) Promisee is entitled for damages for non-performance

#### 4.6 Liability of joint Promisor and joint Promisee 1.78

(1) Devolution of joint liabilities (obligations to perform joint promises): (section 42)

→ Devolution means passing over from one person to another.

When two or more persons have made a joint promise, they are known as joint promisors, unless a contrary intention appears from the contract; all joint promisors must jointly fulfill the promise. If any of them die, his legal representative must, jointly with the surviving promisor, fulfill the promise. If all of them die, the legal representative of all of them must fulfill the promise jointly.

• The rules regarding performance of joint promises are:

a) Anyone of the joint promisors may be compelled to perform.  
sec 43 Ex :- A, B and C jointly promise to pay Rs 3000 & may compel either A or B or C or any two of them to pay him Rs 3000.

(b) Right of contribution:

Ex :- A, B and C are under a joint promise to pay Rs 3000. A is compelled to pay the whole. A can recover Rs 1000 each from B and C.

Note:- If any one of the joint promisors make default in such contribution, the remaining joint promisors must bear the loss arising from such defaulting in equal share.

(c) Release of joint promisor : (section 44)

→ When two or more persons have made a joint promise a release of one such joint promisor by the promisee

does not discharging the other joint promisor is responsible to the other joint Promisor or Promisors.

### (2) Devolution of joint rights : [sec 45]

→ when a person has made a promise to two or more persons jointly these persons are known are joint Promises.

### 4.7 Time and Place for Performance of the Promise:

① Time for performance of promise, where no application is to be made and no time is specified - [sec 46]

→ Agar contract me koe specific time or notice nahi diya hai tab uss contract ko reasonable time per perform karne hai depends upon facts of the case.

② Time and place for performance of promise, where time is specified and no application to be made - [sec 47]

→ Time specified hai contract me lekin koe notice nahi hai to hame usse usual hours of business me perform karne hai.

10:00 to 7:00 → depend upon the business to business

agar business hours me nahi hai to hum use reject kar sakte hai

③ Application for performance on certain day to be at proper time and place - [sec 48]

→ Promisee ki duty hai ki Promisor ko batana, kis din or kis samay or kis place par aara hai promise ko perform karne ke liye.

(4) Place for the performance of promise where no application to be made and no place fixed for performance - [sec 49]

→ koe place mali ~~is~~ bataya hai to hum promise ko reasonable place par janki perform karna hai

(5) Performance in manner or at time prescribed or sanctioned by promisee - [sec 50]

→ Agar dalki contract "kuch" ~~is~~ kehta toh dalki kuch hi sunna hoga

#### 4.9 Appropriation of Payments - 1.85

(1) Application of Payments where debt to be discharged is indicated [sec 59]

→ Application of money where indicated → as per debtor indication.

(2) Application of Payments where debt to be discharge is not indicated (sec 60).

→ Application not ~~is~~ indicated

→ creditor may apply to any law full debt.

(3) Application of Payment where neither Party appropriate [sec 61]

→ No act done by anyone

→ apply chronological order (order of time)

→ similar day → proportionately.

wada ke badle

wada milta hai use

reciprocal promise bolte hai

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#### 4.8 Performance of Reciprocal Promise

(i) Promisor not bound to perform unless reciprocal promise ready and willing to perform - [sec-51]

→ ek mith se lena durre haath se dena (saath-saath)

→ samne vala ready nahi hai to promise kaise perform nahi ho sakte.

→ A or B ne contract kiya A good deliver kareg. or B Paise dega jab tak B goods deliver karne ke liye Paise nahi dega tab tak goods kaise deliver hogा.

(ii) Order of Performance of reciprocal promises :- [sec-52]

→ Pehle tum kuch karo fir hum kuch kare.

Eg :- Pizza ki jab tak delivery nahi hoti tab tak hum use paise nahi dete Pizza pehle aayega tab na hum paise denge or same hotel me hum order karenge khana fir khayenge tab paise denge. Khane see Pehle Paise nahi dete.

(iii) Liability of party preventing event on which the contract is to take effect - [sec-53]

→ do person ke bich me contract ho raha hai or ek party ko roka ja raha hai promise perform karne wala case me party contract ko void banा sakta hai or vo losses bhi recover kar sakta hai.

(iv) Effect of default as to that promise which should be first performed in contract consisting of reciprocal promises [sec 54]

→ hamara kaam defend rehta hai promisor par.

promise perform hoga tab naa reciprocal promise hoga:

→ Pehle aap perform kangoje tab hum use mana karu.

Paayenge naa, aap perform ki nahi kangoje to hum

kaise perform kanenge, agar aap perform nahi karte

uske liye aalke hame compensation dena hoga or losses bhi

eg :- A or B ne contract kisya A → B ko bolta hai tu mujhe

diamond ka ring banake de jo mene design bataya a hai

use hisab se meete mahine baad lene aaunga B apna

laisa kharich karke diamond ring bana leta hai & letin

A lene se mana kar deta hai vo apna promise

Perform nahi karta - B →

Point ③ ka example → A or B contract karte hai

A → B ko bolta hai kuch kaam karne 1000 rs

me or B ok bolta hai fir A mana karता hai contract

voidable hai B ke liye or vo compensation bhi le sakte hai

(v) Effects of failure to perform at a time fixed in a contract  
in which time is essential [section 55]

→ contract - Time essential element hai → or vo time pe  
perform nahi hoti to hum contract ko rescind kar  
sakte hai or damages bhi claim kar sakte hai.

→ contract becomes voidable at the option of the promisee.

→ eg. shaadi ke liye jewellery ka order diya tha vo shaadi  
ke din see Pehle nahi aata to hum contract ko  
rescind kar sakte hai or damages bhi claim kar sakte hai

(a) Effect of such failure when time is not essential.

→ agar time essential element nahi hai contract me to

vo valid contract hota hai or vo voidable nahi hota.  
 lekin hum compensation le sakte hai or losses bhi recover kar sakte hai.

### (b) Effect of acceptance of performance at time other than agreed upon:

→ agar promisee waive off karta hai matlab usse maaf karte hai promise ka performance accept kar leta hai.  
 uss case me vo compensation or losses claim nahi kar sakte or contract voidable nahi ho saka tya ki usne accept kar liya promisor ka performance sake hain far bhi.

### (vi) Agreement to do Impossible Act [sec. 56]

#### ① Initial Impossibility (Impossibility existing at the time of contract):

→ shunvaa se hi impossible tha (void - ab initio)

Ex: make ~~dead~~ dead person alive

#### (a) If known to the parties → void

Ex: A or B contract B promise karte hai agar ap Indian ocean from mumbai to Aden swim kar loge ek week me to vo 50000 Rupees diga

#### (b) If unknown to the parties → void

Ex: A or B contract karte hai A → B ko brown horse bechega Rs 50000 me lekin dono ko pata nahi hota ki horse agreement ke sehle hi mar gaya.  
 also agreement void hote hai.

(C) If known to the promisor only  $\rightarrow$  void + damage claim

Ex :- A  $\rightarrow$  B ko redmi ke phone apple ka sticker lagake bechta hai. A ko pata rehta lekin B apna diligence use karta to vo nahi khrudta B khrid leta hai fir B  $\rightarrow$  A se uske losses recover kar sakti hai.

② Subsequent or supervening impossibility (Becomes impossible after entering into contract).

- Pehle valid hota hai lekin such ghatna hove hi vajah se vo void ho jata hai baad me.

Ex :- hamne plastic bags bechno ka deal kari. lekin plastic bags banned kar diya government ne to ab hum perform nahi kar sakte.

③ Reciprocal promise to do certain things that are legal and also some other things that are illegal - [sec-57]

$\rightarrow$  A or B contract karte hai, A  $\rightarrow$  B ko house sell karta hai 50000 me agar B gambling ke liye use karega to A 75000 charge karega.

$\rightarrow$ isme jo ghar sell kiya or B ne 150000 diya ye valid contract tha.

$\rightarrow$  lekin jo A ne 75000 manga & se gambling ke use ke liye VO unlawful contract tha isliye ye contract void hoga.

④ 'Alternative promise' on branch being illegal - [sec-58]

$\rightarrow$  A  $\xrightarrow{100000}$  B

1000 kg rice  $\xrightarrow{\text{valid contract}}$

OR

100 kg ~~drugs~~ drugs  $\rightarrow$  void contract.

4.10

Contracts, which need not be performed - with the consent of both the parties :-

① Effect of novation, rescission, and alteration of contract [sec 63]

a) Effect of novation - Parties to a contract agrees to 'substitute a new contract for old contract'

- It may take place.
  - between same parties
  - OR
  - different parties

\* Parties have changed  
\* terms are the same

Note :-

① Novation must be made with mutual consent of all the parties to original contract.

② original contract rescinded

(b) Rescission :- (cancellation)

- when parties to a contract agrees to rescind it, contract need not be performed.
- No new contract comes into existence.

(c) Alteration :- Contract me kuch change karne

- parties are the same
- terms have changed (major)

③ Promises may waive or remit performance of promise [sec 63]

→ remit the whole or part of promise.

[OR]

→ Extend the time of performance

[OR]

→ accept other satisfaction.

Spiral

④ Restoration of benefit under a voidable contract [sec-65]  
 → aggrieved Party can contract to rescind karega to  
 usi wala property mil jayega or badle m jo usi  
 mila hoga vo usi itand hoga.

⑤ Obligations of person who has received advantage  
 under void agreement or contract that becomes  
 void (sec 65)

### Provision :-

When an agreement :-

→ discovered to be void.

OR

→ when a contract becomes void

- Any person who has received only advantage of  
 - under such agreement or contract
- is bound to restore it.

→ to the person from who he received

Ex :- A → B to 1 lakh Pay within 10 days B to A he  
 daughter C se shadi karne hoga lekin C mar  
 jaati hai promise ke time par ye agreement void.  
 lekin B mila relay A Rs 100000

⑥ Communication of Rescission [sec-56]

- Rescission must be communicated to the other party
- In the same manner as a proposal is communicated  
 under section 4 of the contract Act.
- Similarly ; a rescission may be revoked in the same  
 manner as a proposal is revoked

- ⑧ Effects of neglect of promisee to afford promisor reasonable facilities for performance. [sec 67]
- If any promisee neglects or refuses to afford the promisor reasonable facilities for the performance of his promise ; the promisor is excused by such neglect or refusal as to any non-performance caused thereby.
- reasonable facilities dena hain
- Ex:- If student refuses to learn , the teacher cannot be held liable for not teaching.

#### 4.11 Discharge of a contract

##### ① Discharge by performance :-

- a) Actual Performance
- b) Attempted Performance

##### ② Discharge by mutual agreement :-

- (a) Novation
  - (b) Rescission
  - (c) Alteration
  - (d) Remission
- section 62 of the Indian contract Act provides if the parties to a contract agree to substitute a new contract for it, or to rescind or remit or alter it, the original contract need not be performed.

##### ③ Discharge by impossibility of performance :-

- ① Initial Impossibility
  - ② supervening impossibility
- an unforeseen change in law

the destruction of the subject matter essential to that performance  
→ declaration of a war (section 56)  
→ the non-existence or non-occurrence of particular state of things, which was naturally contemplated for performing.

- ④ Discharge by lapse of time: If a creditor does not file a suit against the buyer for recovery of the price within three years, the debt becomes time-barred and irrecoverable.
- ⑤ Discharge by operation of law: → by death of the promisor or by insolvency.
- ⑥ Discharge by breach of contract:
  - Breach of contract may be actual breach of contract
  - OR
  - anticipatory breach of contract.
- ⑦ Promisee may waive or remit performance of promise.  
→ a contract may be discharged by remission (sec 63)
- ⑧ Effect of neglect of promisee to afford promisor reasonable facilities for performance:  
The Promisor is excused by such neglect or refusal as to any non-performance called there by.

### (c) merger of Rights :

- When inferior rights and superior rights meet in one and the same person.

→ merger       $\begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Inferior}} & \end{matrix}$  → vanish  
                   $\begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Superior}} & \end{matrix}$  → exist.

## Unit - 5 :- Breach of contract and its Remedies

↳ Breaching of an obligation

### Actual Breach of contract

- Party fails or refuses to perform his **Promise** on **due date of performance** or **during course of performance**.
- Refusal or failure may be express or implied

### Anticipatory Breach of contract

- (a) When a Party declares his intention of not performing the contract before performance is due by **Refusing to perform his promise.**

OR

- By his act disabling himself from performing before due date of performance
- (b) **Expressly or impliedly**

### Remedies under anticipatory breach.

Aggrieved Party → Party not at fault may-

- 1. Put an end to the contract and treat the anticipatory breach as actual breach.
  - (a) Promise is excused from performing or further performance.
  - (b) promisee can sue promisor immediately without waiting till date of performance
  - (c) Amount of damage = contract price - market price

2. choose to keep the contract alive till date of Performance

- (a) Promisor may choose to perform and promisee is bound to accept it.

- (b) Contract becomes void if some event happen outside the power of Promisor and Promisor will be discharged  
→ Promisee shall have no right of action against Promisor.
- (c) Amount of damage same as above

### Suit for damages [sec 73]

1. Aggrieved Party is entitled to receive compensation for loss which
- (i) Arise naturally in the usual → (ordinary damage)  
course of things from such breach.
  - (ii) which are the parties know to → (special damage)  
be likely result of such breach.
2. No compensation for remote loss or indirect loss.

### Kinds of damage

#### 1. Special damage -

where

- a party to a contract receives
- affecting the contract
- He will be liable.
- not only for natural damages of breach
- but also for ~~not~~ special damages.

#### 2. ordinary damage .

#### 3. Vindictive or exemplary damage .

Purpose :- To punish defendant and not compensation when awarded.

(a) Breach of promise to marry.

(b) wrongful dishonour of cheques  
manner of measuring

• Depends upon severity of shock to the sentiments of aggrieved party:

Rule :- smaller the amount of cheque, longer will be the amount of damage.

#### 4. Nominal Damages -

→ Plaintiff has proved that there has been a breach of contract but he has not in fact suffered any real damage.

→ It is awarded just to establish the right for the breach of contract.

→ The amount may be a rupee or even 10 Paise

#### 5. Damage for deterioration caused by delay :

(a) when goods get deteriorated due to delay damages can be recovered without notice.

(b) deterioration means:

→ physical damage.

→ loss of special opportunity.

#### 6. Prejudice damages : liquidated damage penalty.

→ when a sum is named in a contract as amount to be paid in case of breach.

→ aggrieved party

- entitle for reasonable compensation not exceeding the amount (section 74)

Note: court will never allow more 'But the court may allow less'

Exception :- Bond given by a person in ~~not~~ public duty shall be liable to pay the whole sum mentioned there.

Other remedies :-

1. Rescission of contract :

contract → broken

other party → may treat contract as rescind

Effect :- Party not in fault is absolved from his obligation and entitled for compensation for any damage

2. Quantum merit

As much as merited (earned)

General Rule :-

Unless a party performs his performance in full,

he cannot claim non-performance from other party.

## Unit - 6 Contingent and quasi contract.

### Contingent contract [section 31]

meaning of happening of event with example.

**Buyer**: I want to buy 1 tonne rice for Rs 50000  
**seller**: Yes, I will sell you rice if my ship carrying rice arrives in India.

→ main contract ←

sale of Rice collateral

event :- ship arrival.

in india

This is a contingent contract as

contract depends on happening of

an uncertain event

### definition :- [sec. 31]

A contract to do or not to do if some event collateral to such contract does or does not happen.

↳ ship arrives

contract dependent on happening of →

certain event

Absolute contract

uncertain even

contingent contract

Impossible event

void contract

### collateral event:

Neither performance

directly promised

as part of contract

Nor the whole of  
the consideration  
for a promise.

### Essentials of a contingent contract.

- (a) The performance of a contingent contract would depend upon the happening or non-happening  $\leftrightarrow$  some event
  - precedent
  - or
  - condition
  - subsequent.
- (b) Event referred must be collateral
  - event must not be a part of contract.
  - event → neither performance
  - nor consideration
- (c) contingent event should not be a mere will of the Promisor.  
 will + uncertain event = contingent contract
- (d) Event must be uncertain
  - when event is certain
  - or
  - bound to happen
  - not contingent.

### Rules Relating to enforcement:

- (a) enforcement of contract contingent on an event happening.  
 [agar ship India nahi aayi too seller rise nahi dega]
- (b) enforcement
- (b) enforcement of contract contingent on event not happening [sec 33]
- (c) A contract would cease to be enforceable if it is contingent upon the conduct of a living person when that living person does something to make the 'event' or 'contract' as impossible of happening [sec 34]

- (d) contingent on happening of specified event within the fixed time [sec 35]
- (e) contingent on specified event not happening within fixed time [sec 36]
- (f) contingent on an impossible event (sec 36)

### Difference b/w contingent and wagering contract

#### Basis

#### meaning

#### contingent contract.

A contingent contract is a contract to do or not to do something with reference to a collateral event happening or not happening.

#### wagering contract

A wagering agreement is a promise to give money or money worth with reference to an uncertain event happening or not happening.

Reciprocal contingent contract may not contain reciprocal promise of reciprocal promise.

In a contingent contract the event is collateral.

In a wagering contract the uncertain event is the core factor.

Nature of contingent contract may not be wagering in nature.

A wagering agreement is essentially contingent in nature.

Effect of contingent contract are valid.

Wagering agreement is void.

### Quasi Contracts

→ Quasi contracts are based on principles of equity, justice and good conscience.

→ Under certain special circumstances, obligation resembling those created by a contract are imposed by law, although the parties have never entered into a contract.

Such obligation imposed by law are referred to as "quasi contract"

### Salient features of quasi contract :-

- (a) In first place, such a right is always a right to money and generally, thought not always, to a liquidated sum of money.
- (b) secondly, it does not arise from any agreement of the parties concerned, but is imposed by the law.
- (c) Thirdly, it is a right available not against all the world, but against a particular person or persons only.  
So that in this respect it resembles a contractual right.

### Cases deemed as quasi-contract:

- (a) Claim for necessities supplied to person in capable of contracting (sec 68):-
  - If necessities are supplied to a person who is incapable to contracting; the supplier is entitled to claim their price from the property of such a person.
- (b) Payment by an interested Person:-
  - A person who is interested in the payment of money
  - which another is bound by law to pay.  
therefore pays it is entitled to be reimbursed by other.
- (c) Obligation of person enjoying benefit of non gratuitous act
  - Plaintiff must prove
    - (i) that he had done act or had delivered thing lawfully  
And
    - (ii) He did not do so gratuitously And (iii) other person enjoys  
case law :- Shyam Lal vs state of UP.  
the benefit.

(d) Responsibility of finder of goods  
 → If he takes it into his custody  
 → he has some responsibility as bailee.

\* Responsibilities :- [Case law :- Hollins vs Hawler]  
 (i) To take proper care of property as man of ordinary Prudence  
 (ii) No right to appropriate the good.  
 (iii) Restore goods if owner finds.

(e) money paid by mistake or under coercion [Sec 72].  
 - must repay or return it

[Sales tax officer vs Kantayyal]

Seth Khanje vs National Bank of India  
 Money paid under coercion is also recoverable.

(i) Oppression (ii) Extortion (iii) or such other means.