

**365. Kidnapping or abducting with intent secretly and wrongfully to confine person.**—Whoever kidnaps or abducts any person with intent to cause that person to be secretly and wrongfully confined, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to seven years, and shall also be liable to fine.

**366. Kidnapping, abducting or inducing woman to compel her marriage, etc.**—Whoever kidnaps or abducts any woman with intent that she may be compelled, or knowing it to be likely that she will be compelled, to marry any person against her will, or in order that she may be forced or seduced to illicit intercourse, or knowing it to be likely that she will be forced or seduced to illicit intercourse, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to ten years, and shall also be liable to fine; <sup>1</sup>[and whoever, by means of criminal intimidation as defined in this Code or of abuse of authority or any other method of compulsion, induces any woman to go from any place with intent that she may be, or knowing that it is likely that she will be, forced or seduced to illicit intercourse with another person shall also be punishable as aforesaid].

<sup>2</sup>[**366A. Procurement of minor girl.**—Whoever, by any means whatsoever, induces any minor girl under the age of eighteen years to go from any place or to do any act with intent that such girl may be, or knowing that it is likely that she will be, forced or seduced to illicit intercourse with another person shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to ten years, and shall also be liable to fine.

**366B. Importation of girl from foreign country.**—Whoever imports into <sup>3</sup>[India] from any country outside India <sup>4</sup>[or from the State of Jammu and Kashmir] any girl under the age of twenty-one years with intent that she may be, or knowing it to be likely that she will be, forced or seduced to illicit intercourse with another person, <sup>5</sup>\*\*\* shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to ten years and shall also be liable to fine.]

**367. Kidnapping or abducting in order to subject person to grievous hurt, slavery, etc.**—Whoever kidnaps or abducts any person in order that such person may be subjected, or may be so disposed of as to be put in danger of being subjected to grievous hurt, or slavery, or to the unnatural lust of any person, or knowing it to be likely that such person will be so subjected or disposed of, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to ten years, and shall also be liable to fine.

**368. Wrongfully concealing or keeping in confinement, kidnapped or abducted person.**—Whoever, knowing that any person has been kidnapped or has been abducted, wrongfully conceals or confines such person, shall be punished in the same manner as if he had kidnapped or abducted such person with the same intention or knowledge, or for the same purpose as that with or for which he conceals or detains such person in confinement.

**369. Kidnapping or abducting child under ten years with intent to steal from its person.**—Whoever kidnaps or abducts any child under the age of ten years with the intention of taking dishonestly any movable property from the person of such child, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to seven years, and shall also be liable to fine.

<sup>6</sup>[**370. Trafficking of person.**—(1) Whoever, for the purpose of exploitation, (a) recruits, (b) transports, (c) harbours, (d) transfers, or (e) receives, a person or persons, by—

*First.*—using threats, or

*Secondly.*—using force, or any other form of coercion, or

*Thirdly.*—by abduction, or

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1. Added by Act 20 of 1923, s. 2.

2. Ins. by s. 3, *ibid.*

3. The words “British India” have successively been subs. by the A. O. 1948, the A. O. 1950 and Act 3 of 1951, s. 3 and the Sch., to read as above.

4. Ins. by Act 3 of 1951, s. 3 and the Sch.

5. Certain words omitted by s. 3 and the Sch., *ibid.*

6. Subs. by Act 13 of 2013, s. 8, for section 370 (w.e.f. 3-2-2013).