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PART IV

Acts of Gujarat Legislature and Ordinances promulgated and Regulations made by the Governor.

The following Act of the Gujarat Legislature, having been assented to by the President on the 25th April, 2019 is hereby published for general information.

K. M. LALA,
Secretary to the Government of Gujarat,
Legislative and Parliamentary Affairs Department.

GUJARAT ACT NO. 6 OF 2019.

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AN ACT

further to amend the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, in their application to the State of Gujarat.

It is hereby enacted in the Sixty-ninth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Criminal Law (Gujarat Amendment) Act, 2018. Short title, and commencement.
- (2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the *Official Gazette*, appoint.

Insertion of
new sections
379A and
379B in
XLV of 1860.

2. In the Indian Penal Code, 1860, after section 379, the following sections shall be inserted, namely:—

Snatching.

“379A. (1) Whoever, with the intention to commit theft, suddenly or quickly or forcibly seizes or secures or grabs or takes away from any person or from his physical possession any moveable property, and makes or attempt to make escape with such property, is said to commit snatching.

(2) Whoever attempts to commit snatching shall be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than five years but which may extend to ten years, and with fine which may extend to twenty-five thousand rupees.

(3) Whoever commits snatching shall be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than seven years but which may extend to ten years, and with fine which may extend to twenty-five thousand rupees.

(4) Whoever, after committing or attempting to commit snatching, causes hurt or wrongful restraint or fear of hurt, in order to effect his escape shall be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, in addition to the punishment provided for the offence of snatching by the preceding sub-sections.

Snatching after
preparation
made for causing
death, hurt or
restraint in order
to the
committing of
the snatching. —

379B. Whoever commits or attempts to commit snatching, having made preparation for causing death, or hurt, or restraint, or fear of death, or of hurt, or of restraint, to any person, in order to the committing of such snatching, or in order to the retaining of property taken by such snatching, shall be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than seven years but which may extend to ten years, and with fine which may extend to twenty-five thousand rupees.”.

2 of 1974. 3. In the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, in the First Schedule, in the table, under the heading “Chapter XVII – Offences against Property”, after section 379, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

Amendment
of First
Schedule to 2
of 1974.

Sections	Offence	Punishment	Cognizable or Non-cognizable	Bailable or Non-bailable	By what court triable
“379A.	Attempt to commit snatching	Rigorous imprisonment of not less than five years but which may extend to ten years, and fine of 25,000 rupees.	Cognizable	Non-bailable	Court of Session.
	Committing snatching	Rigorous imprisonment of not less than seven years but which may extend to ten years, and fine of 25,000 rupees.	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto.
	Causing hurt or wrongful restraint or fear of hurt, in order to effect escape after attempting to commit or after committing snatching	Rigorous imprisonment which may extend to three years, in addition to punishment under other sub-sections.	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto.
379B.	Snatching, after preparation having been made for causing death, or hurt, or restraint, in order to the committing of such snatching, or to retaining property taken by it.	Rigorous imprisonment of not less than seven years but which may extend to ten years, and fine of 25,000 rupees.	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto.”.