Question 1788) - If the owner sets part of the slave free, is the part of the entire slave free?

A: According to Imaam Abu Hanifah RAH. the part only is free and the slave will work to earn his complete freedom. According to Imaam Abu Yusuf RAH. and Imaam Muhammed RAH. he is entirely free and need to work to complete his freedom.*

* The principle according to Imaam Abu Hanifah RAH. is that the slave can be divided into parts whilst according to them as well as at-Imam ash-shafi?i RAH. it cannot.

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