

Question 1869) - What are the linguistic and shar'i definitions of Jinayah?

A: Linguistically it is to commit an act which causes harm to someone. In the terminology of the Fuqaha it is the transgression of one party against another in his life or appendages. Transgression in life means murder, whether it is deliberate or accidental. Transgression against appendages means cutting a hand, leg, ear or putting out an eye etc.

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