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Dajamation?

Introduction:

Dajamation means making a jalse statement about a persons that harms their reputation in a society. The law protects individual jrom such statements Because reputation is considered an important personal Right.

Meaning of Dajamation:

Dajamation occurs when some one publishes or communi a jalse statement about an other person that Damages their image, respect or dignity in the eyes of others. It can damage a person social professional, or personal life.

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Types of Defamation:

1. libel (written form)

Defamation is perment form such as news papers, books, social media or images.

2. Slander (spoken form)

Defamation through spoken words or gestures. It is Temprory but still harmful.

Essential elements of Defamation:

1. A false statement must be made.
2. The statement must be published (shared with others)
3. It must damage reputation.

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Defamation under Pakistan Law.

1. Defamation Ordiance [2002]

provides civil remedies for defamation. A person can claims, compansation for damage to reputation.

2. Pakistan Penal code sections (499-502)

Defines Defamation as a cirminal offence.

provides punishment such as fine or imprisoment.

Articles of the constitution (Related to Defamation)

[Article 19] Freedom of speech:- Allows freedom of expressions but with reasonable restriction to protect reputation and integrity of individuals

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Article 14 Dignity of men:-
Guarntess the dignity of every person and protect their reputation

Article: 25 Equity of citizens:-
Ensures equal protection of law for all, including in defamation case.

Defenses against Defamation:-

Truth: True statements are not Defamation.

2. Fair coment: honest opinion on public matters.

Consent: If the person agrees to the statement.

Remedies for Defamation.

1. civil Remedy – Compensation (Damages)
2. **Cirminal Remedy:** punishment under PPC-
3. **Apology or Retraction:-** court may order public apology.

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