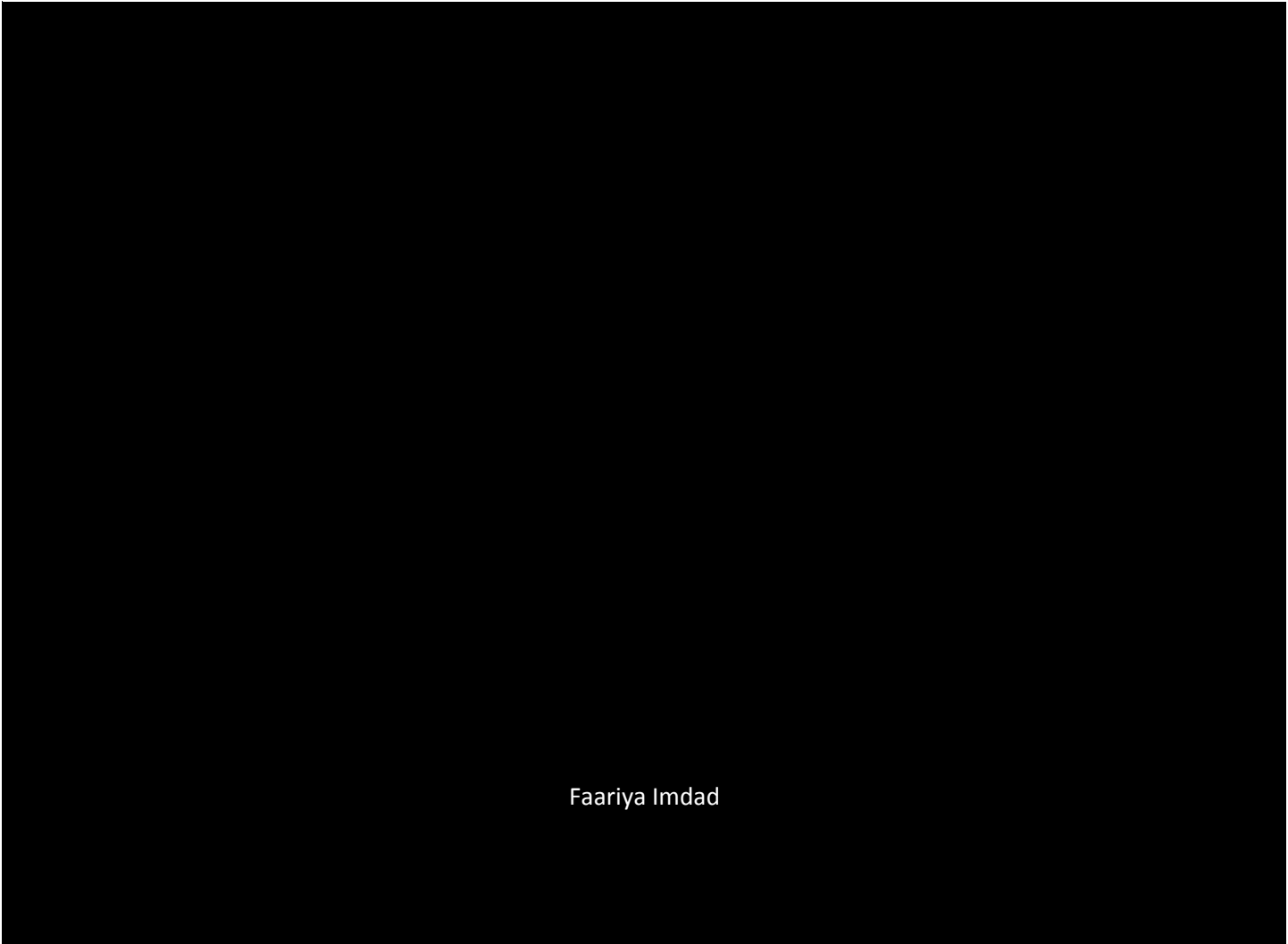




# ELEMENTS OF CRIME



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1. Introduction

2. Meaning of Crime

3. Definition of Crime

**Black's Law Dictionary,**

“ A Crime is an act committed or omitted, in violation of a public law, either forbidding or commanding it; a breach or violation of some public right or duty due to a whole community, considered as a community. In its social aggregate capacity, as distinguished from a civil injury”

**Merriam Webster's Dictionary,**

“An act or the commission of an act that is forbidden or the omission of a duty that is commanded by a public law and that makes the offender liable to punishment by that law; especially: a gross violation of law.”

4. Characteristics of Crime:

- i. A Public Wrong
- ii. A moral Wrong

5. Legal view of Crime

“it should enable us to recognize any act as a crime, or not a crime.

6. Ruling Maxim

“ Actus Non Facit Reum Nisi Mens Sit Rea”

An act does not make a man guilty of a crime, unless his mind be also guilty.

7. Elements of Crime:

- i. Human Being
- ii. Actus Reus
- iii. Mens Rea
- iv. Concurrence of Both
- v. Injury

8. Human Being

9. Actus Reus:

- i. Definition
- ii. An Actus Reus must be proved
- iii. Conduct must be willed
- iv. Automatism
- v. Causation
- vi. Omission

10. Mens Rea:

- i. Intention
- ii. Knowledge
- iii. Recklessness
- iv. Negligence

11. Concurrence of Both

12. Injury

13. Final Analysis