

Dear Brothers and Respected Sisters
As Salaam Alaykum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh

Qur'an has declared in Surah Al Maidah-5, Ayah 90-91:

O you who believe! Khamr (applicable on all types of intoxicants), and games of chance (dedication of), stones (for idols worship), and (divination by) arrows, are an abomination, a handiwork of Shaytaan; therefore, keep away from them, so that you may be successful. Indeed, the Shaytaan only desires, by means of Khamr (intoxicants) and gambling, to create enmity and hatred among you, and to turn you aside from remembrance of Allah and from Salaat . Will you not then abstain from them, so that you may be successful?

Khamar means wine and all the things that alter the consciousness, so wine, scotch, vodka, tequila, whisky, beer and the things that intoxicate are included. Note carefully, Lanat of Rasulallah(S) is not limited to the one who drinks it but He(S) sent Lanat upon the following involved:

- 1). The Khamar itself**
- 2). The Khamar maker**
- 3). The one who sells it**
- 4). The one who drinks it**
- 5). The one who serves or offer it**
- 6). The one who takes benefit from its business**
- 7). The one who transports it**
- 8). The one who stores it**
- 9). The one who buys it for other**

Hadith Narrated by Syedna Jabir bin Abdullah al Ansari

Rasulallah(S) has warned in clear terms:

He who believes in Allah and the Last Day must not sit at a cloth (Dastar Khawn, Table or attend Gathering) where Khamar is being circulated or served

Fuquha says that Khamar is a compound term which covers all kind of drugs and narcotics. Those who believe in Allah and the Qiyamat must not sit with those people who drink Haraam. Even if you don't drink, but attend a business

meeting where it is being served, it is forbidden to sit at a place where people are drinking it. Lanat of Allah shall be covering you.

Therefore, if one has prior sense that Khamar/alcohol will be served at a gathering or party, it would be better for him to fear Allah and abstain from attending such gatherings. But if one attends a gathering or party, knowing that Khamar will be served there, even if they do not consume it he will indeed share a burden of the sin.

*You should have your own personality and you should have your own character. You should impose the beliefs you have by addressing them:
Gentleman! I would like to attend the business dinner or meeting, but I do not drink and I do not allow people to drink on my table or to eat pork, I do not allow women to sit with us on my table that are not decently dressed.*

Best Regards

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