So long as adult men are living together, with their wives and children, under the tutelage of their father, the Pandit ideal of the joint chulah is easy to maintain. But the situation in the household changes drastically when the father dies. Each brother seeks to protect the interests of his own wife and children, and in doing so comes into conflict with the others. Joint living is still the ideal, but the divergence of interests between the brothers usually becomes so large that it is beyond compromise. Partition is, therefore, a normal occurrence in Pandit society though it lacks cultural approval. This chapter discusses partition in relation to household structure; structural conditions of partition; causes of partition; the process of partition; and reunion of households.