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## Introduction

"Women are regarded as 'ghetto' in Pakistani society."

(Hina Saleem, Women's strength, 2022)

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In Pakistani society, women suffer structural and direct forms of violence. In fact, an evidence is in the case of Mukhtaran Mai. Unfortunately, Mukhtaran Mai suffered violence as 'Honour Revenge' that is advocating violence against women. Therefore, in Pakistani society, women are victims of structural and direct forms of violence.

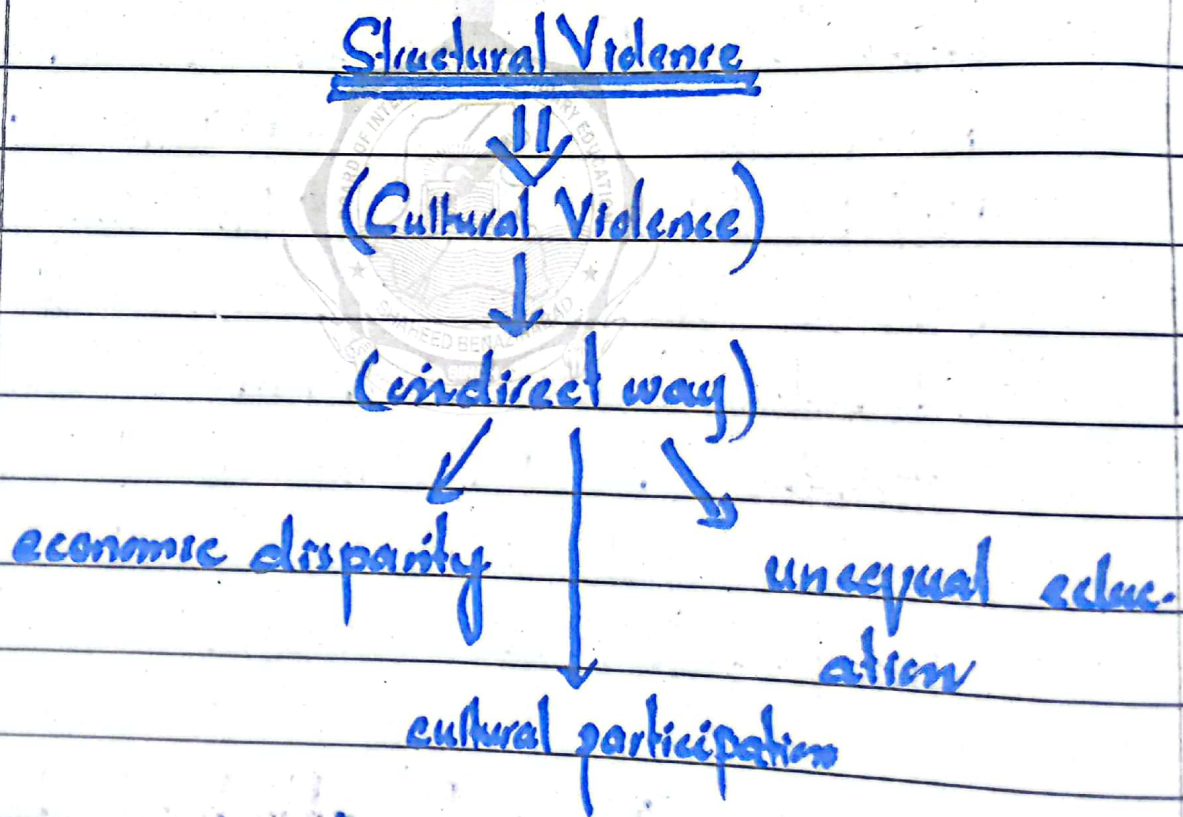
## 2- Explanation of structural form of violence

"Structural violence is an indirect way

of violence."

(Maxey)

Unfortunately, women also suffer structural as indirectly target. In Pakistan, women are deprived of cultural norms. Thus, this reflects structural violence against women.



Thus, women are victims of structural violence.

### 3- Explanation of direct form of violence

"In direct violence, victim is clearly representative."

(-Maxey)

Along with structural violence, women are also victims of direct violence. In Pakistan, women are also oppressed by direct form of violence.

#### Direct Violence

physical harassment

sexual abuse

Thus, women are victims of direct violence.

### 4- A bird's eye view of Mukhtaran Mai case

"Mukhtaran Mai was

gang raped as  
"Honour Revenge."

(Faisal Bari, Life  
style recollection, 2022)

Mukhtaran Mai was  
born in Punjab. Unfortunately, she  
was gang raped by 'Mastoi Baloch'  
tribe gang. Thus, the case was  
highlighted in media.

### 5- Background of Mukhtaran Mai Case

Mukhtaran Mai was  
used as 'honour revenge'. In fact,  
Mukhtaran's brother, Abdul-Shakoor  
was raped by three persons of  
'Mastoi' tribe.

"Abdul Shakoor was  
forced to be silent,  
but he did not."

Abdul Shakoor was accused of in  
relation with Salma and a jirga  
was called to resolve the case.

"Jirga decided that Salma should marry with Abdul Shkour, in return

Mukhtaran will be married with Salma's brother."

But, Salma's brother refused to do so.

He said as,

"Abdul Shkour will be forgiven if Mukhtaran come and beg forgiveness."

Hence, case of violence of Mukhtaran begin here.

6- Gang rape of Mukhtaran Mai as violence against women in Pakistan. Mukhtaran Mai went to beg forgiveness. But, unfortunately, she was violated.

" Mukhtaran Mai was  
raped by gang  
of 'Masloi' tribe  
at their farm house."

Thus, Mukhtaran Mai was raped  
by gang that advocates women's  
violence.

## 7- Mukhtaran Mai Case: The Justice Syst- em of Pakistan

' Justice delayed  
is  
justice denied."

(- Faisal Bari, life  
style recollection, 2003)

Mukhtaran Mai case was  
put in a court. It was solved at  
three levels as,

" In 2002, the Anti  
Terrorist Court announced  
death sentence to four  
of six offenders."

(- Mukhtaran Mai Case Study)

But, unfortunately,

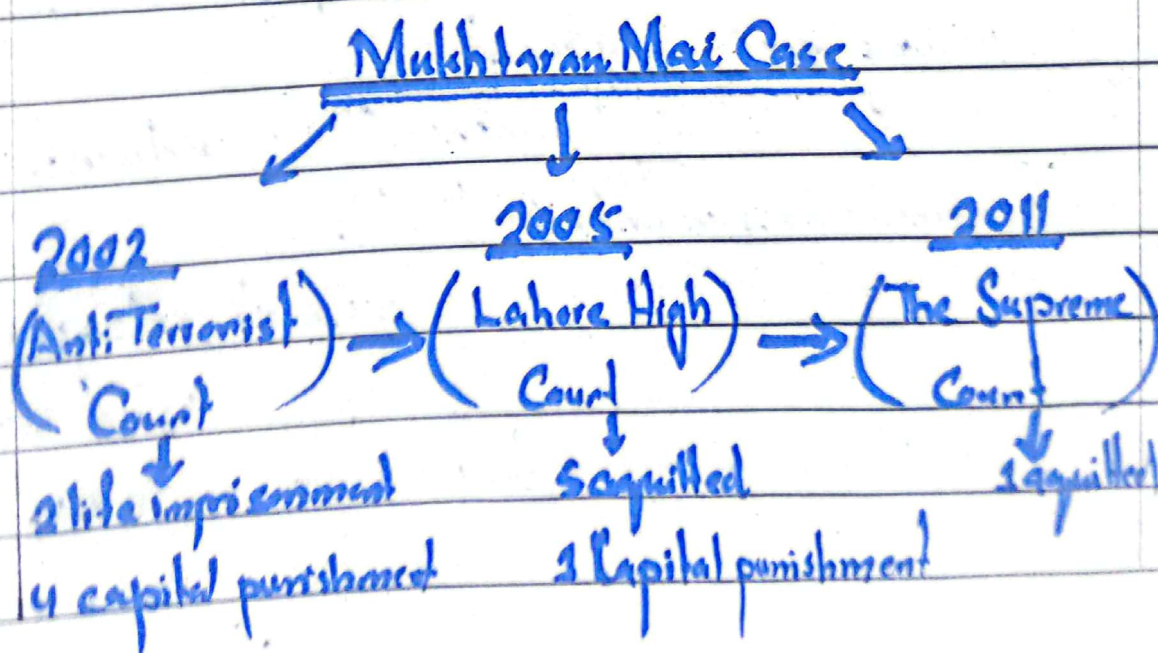
"In 2005, Lahore High Court acquitted five of six offenders and one was announced as capital punishment."

(Mulharam Mai Case Study)

However, it does not end here as,

"In 2011, the Supreme Court acquitted that one person due to lack of evidence."

(Mulharam Mai Case Study)





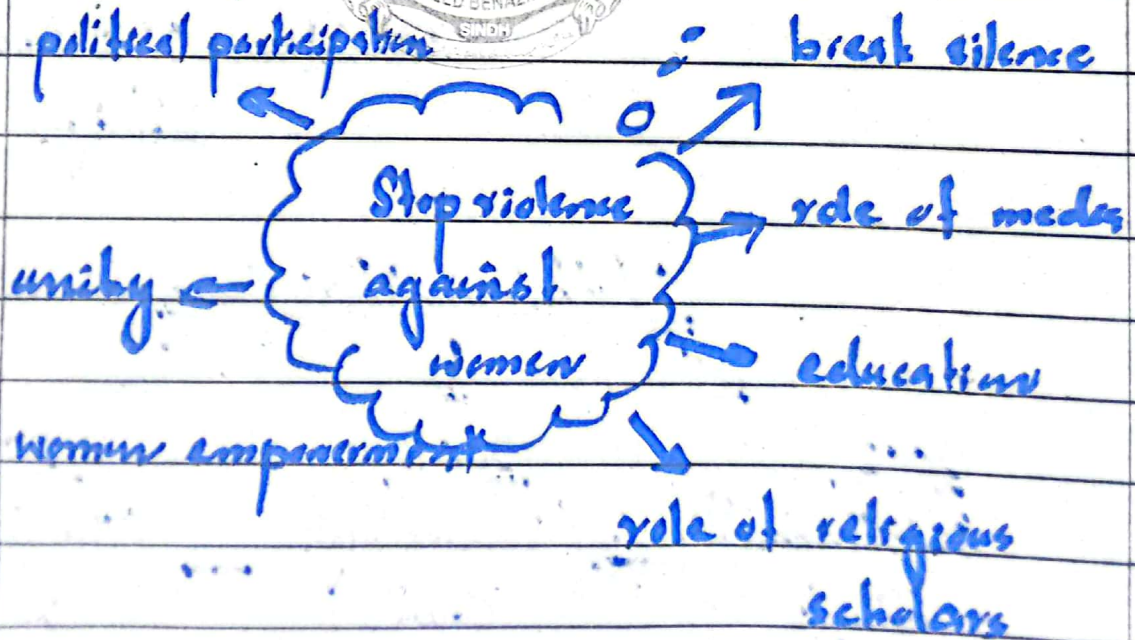
Therefore, justice delayed is justice denied.

8- A short step way forward to cope violence against women in Pakistan

"Women should break silence"

(Zubaidy Mustafa)

Women need to be spokesperson. In fact, women should highlight their issues against violence. Moreover,



Hence, above steps can help in



reducing violence against women.

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### Conclusion

"Women are the most  
oppressed by  
patriarchy."

(Mary Wollstonecraft)

In Pakistani society,  
women often suffer structural and  
direct forms of violence. In fact,  
an evidence is clear in Mukhtaran  
Mai case. Thus, Mukhtaran Mai  
case highlights violence against  
women in Pakistan.