

Honour killings are a plague

1. Introduction
2. Deciphering the essence of the topic
"Honour killings are a plague"
3. Elucidating the term "Honour killing"
"The purposeful preplanned murder,
by a perception that she has
brought shame on the family"
~ Oxford Dictionary of Law
4. What trigger honour killing in our society?
 - 4a. Religious mindset
(Islam the misunderstood religion
~ by Muhammed Qutub)
 - 4b. Jirga System
~~Qandeel Baloch case ~ Supreme Court 2016~~
(Mykhtara Mai case ~ Supreme Court 2022)
 - 4c. Marriage against the will of family
(Honour Killing: A case study
of Pakistan)
 - 4d. Societal pressure
(Qandeel Baloch killed by
her brother ~ case study 2016)
5. How Honour killing is plague in Pakistan?
 - 5a. Increasing death rates
Increase in rate of murder
(1000 women lose their lives
annually due to honor killing
Report by Human right watch)
 - 5b. Gender gap because of patriarchal
society
(Pakistan rank 145th out of 146
countries in Global Gender Gap
~ World Economic Forum)

4c. Increase in detrence and insecurity among women

(70% of women who use public transport faced haresment)

Asian Development Bank

5. Consequences of honour killing

5a. Brain drain

"Security issues and political instability cause brain drain"

Sania Nishtar

5b. Suicide rates increase

(9.8 per 100,000 women commit suicide in 2023)

Report by institute of family studies

5c. Increase in force marriages and early marriages

(18.3% of girls in Pakistan are married before their 18th birthday)

Report by National commission on the rights of child

6. Snapshot of other countries

6a. Rate of Honour killing is high in developed countries as well

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7. Critical Analysis

6. Suggestion

8. Conclusion

Islam is a complete code of life; it elucidate every aspect of human life from birth till death. Western countries become developed countries as they do deep research on Quran. But, muslims use it only for recitation, though real purpose of its revelation is to extract meaning from it and implement in daily life. In Holy Quran, there is no word like "Honour" or "Honour killing" is prominently mentioned. Then, from where we extract this words and then gain authority to kill someone on the name of "Gairat".

Different societies of Pakistan justify "Honour killing" by giving different justifications. like, in rural settings of Pakistan when someone kill women of their family they justify it by saying that "Islam give us permission". while on the other hand Sindhi's gave justification that karo kari culture of jirga system gave us authority. Ironically, urban settings gave the reason of societal pressure. Unfortunately, all these justifications are baseless and manmade. In both natural law and constitutional law there is no such authority is delegated to ordinary people to kill someone on the basis of "Honour". like other developing and developed countries Pakistan is

among the most vulnerable country in case of honour killing, this is because of illiteracy, lack of awareness, societal pressure, religious mindset and settling of debts.