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Flawed narratives about women, from being weak and fragile to being provocative and impious, have led to an increase in the number of violent cases against them. Sexual violence aside, the misuse of surveillance cameras under the pretense of surveillance is the new looming threat. The problem seems to be ballooning rather than diminishing. The recent incident of spy cameras installed in the restrooms of a private hostel is indicative of this disturbing trend. Such acts underscores the pervasive violence women face in public and private spaces. Moreover, they also consolidate the already prevalent cultural sensitivities in conservative societies. For a country listed at 142 among 146 in the Gender Gap Report 2023, these undignified acts further restricts women to their homes. It has now become indispensable for the state to take stringent actions and enact laws to protect the dignity of women. Preparators should face music for their actions should be contended with severe consequences and heavy penalties. A safe and secure environment is the only way forward for the progress of women in specific and that of Pakistan in general.

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