# A STUDY ON REASON FOR INCREASING HONOUR KILLINGS IN INDIA

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## ABSTRACT

An honour killing is the murder of a member of a family by way of different members, due to the perpetrators having the belief that the sufferer violated the concepts of a network or a faith the sufferer has added shame or dishonour upon the family. It is an act of homicide by means of the circle of relatives on the own family contributors to bring honour to the family to eliminate the disgrace and dishonour introduced by using the member of the family. The male member of the family kills the lady member who has violated the desires and honour of her own family. This is a kind of preplanned homicide by means of the individuals of the circle of relatives towards the member who had sold disgrace to the family. The main objective of the research was reasons and honour killing uneducated is the main reason for honour killings. This was an descriptive type of research and collected of 200 responses through online. One of the important findings of the research was females are affected more due to this honour killing. Education about the importance of life of each citizen in this earth ought to be added out. The people inside the rural and concrete regions must be educated to control crimes like honour killing.

Keywords: Honour killing, Education, Customs, traditions, punishment.

#### Introduction

The barbarism consists of the name of honour killing. An honour killing is the murder of a member of a family by way of different members, due to the perpetrators having the belief that the sufferer violated the concepts of a network or a faith the sufferer has added shame or dishonour upon the family.Indian Society is a multicultural, multi-traditional society wherein it exists exclusive sorts of castes, magnificence, creeds, sections in which all of us believes that their magnificence is the excellent in complete and every body of that magnificence ought to follow their customs and traditions for the duration of their lives in which woman are taken into consideration because the bearer of honour to the circle of relatives. An honour killing is the murder of a member of a family, due to the perpetrators' belief that the victim has brought shame or dishonour upon the family, or has violated the principles of a community or a religion with an honour culture. Typical reasons include divorcing or separating from their spouse, refusing to enter an arranged, child or forced marriage, being in a relationship or having associations with social groups outside the family that is strongly disapproved by one's family, having premarital or extramarital sex, becoming the victim of rape or sexual assault, dressing in clothing, jewelry and accessories which are deemed inappropriate, engaging in non-heterosexual relations or renouncing a faith.

This perception is so well rooted that any attempt by women to breach their rights is seen as an attack on the cultural norms of the community and is strongly countered by the whole society and these counter activities taken by the member of her family in the name of honour leads to Honour Killing. Mainly in these cases, women are the target but recently there are some cases where males are also targeted and murdered in the name of honour killing. Though there is no existence of specific laws on such types of killing by their family members. The law in many countries directly or indirectly permits honour to be an excuse or mitigating factor for murder, allowing perpetrators to go unpunished or to receive lighter punishments/ sentences. A male relative's mere suspicion of a dishonouring act is often enough to justify an honour killing. These killings frequently go unreported and therefore, the exact number of deaths per year is unknown. In 2015 National Crime Records Bureau data shows, 251 honour killings were reported in India, activists consider this number to be an underestimation due to misreporting of killings under general murders. Government initiative to honour killings : IPC sec 300 The act is committed with an intention to cause death. The act is done with the intention of causing such bodily injury for which the offender has knowledge that it would result in

death.Government created awareness among the general public about the honour killings.The CEDAW is the most comprehensive women rights in the world and art 14 right to equality . Which helps in intercaste marriage The factors affecting the honour killings :The male dominant society. The family customs and practice their religious customs. Falling in love with the person of another caste or religion.Old Vedas and manuscripts.The mindset of the people in the society.Dressing in a manner unacceptable to the family or community.Unawareness of women.Engaging in heterosexual or homosexual acts.Current trends like gender equality:Two years ago, 19-year-old Kausalya dropped out of college to marry her boyfriend Sankar. A few months later, Sankar was hacked to death in broad daylight by assailants sent by Kausalya's father. Her father wanted to kill the couple for bringing his caste into disrepute. In India, women are not considered individuals with lives and choices of their own. Instead, they are seen as the torchbearers of family 'honour'. They are curbed from talking to men, choosing their life partners etc. What happens when one of them defies this unwritten rule? They are socially ostracised, beaten up or, like in Sankar's case, killed. Here's an attempt at tracing the trend of honour killings across India in 2018. Comparison between the South Asia and Arab nations honour killings in Arab nations are of 27% it includes of homosexuals Bangladesh has a lower level of Horner killing rate.honour killing most in Mideast nations like Egypt ,Lebanon and Syria. The aim of the study is to find out that what was the main reason for honour killing.

#### **Objectives**

To study about the reason for honour killing.

#### To find out whether uneducation is major for honour killing.

To study increasing punishment can control honour killing.

#### **Review of literature**

Athwal (2013) According to this article says that the review of surveys in honour killing in the and traditional crime in the family of an educated people and even in the educated family.

**Eisner and Ghuneim (2019)** This article says that the Honour killings is the practice due to the preservation of culture is crime and the traditional crime to presume the people and to believe the community .

**Jordan** (2018) This article says that honour killing is in practice due to the preservation of dignity in a family honour of the society and the community .

**Dhamodharan** (2018) This article says that Honour killing is in looking and is unacceptable by the law but the honour killing is not taken as crime in their own family honour and community power.

**Ermers (2020)** In this multicultural society the different religion culture. The people following many cultures in society that they give importance to dignity is inappropriate is an issue of honour killing breaches of art 21 of constitution .

**Churchill (2013)** This article says the honour killing is due to two main causes, then the first cause is the family tragedy and the second cause is due to the society the people live in.

**Ermers (2019)** This article says the honour killing is related to the violence alleged to cultural damage , cultural violations and traditional violations in the case of honour killing.

**Eisner and Ghuneim (2018)** In this article the author says that honour killing is the . Practice mostly practised in middle eastern area and southern area like Tamil Nadu the more because cast influence are more.

**Prager** (2018) Is this article the author says that the women are the gender affected more by the honour killing where both the male and female were doing a cultural violation.and women is treated as asset of the community if they do inter caste marriage then it will be shameful.

**Dhamodharan** (2020) This article says that the explanation of the authors explained the female case of honour killing and it was the first successful prosecution of world throughout the world.

**Barmaki** (2017) This article says about the relationship between the human rights honour killing the practice of honour killing and people's life in the community which is severely affected in the society.

**Barmaki; Gill (2014)** This article says that day Honour killing is due to the violation done By the people.B violations are the cultural violation and the traditional violation this violation can be purified by the blood of the violator is called as honour killing.and restore of honour.

**Kaur** (2017) The main topic of this article is honour killing is the peak of all violence against men and women in the society.mostly the murdering or killing of women and men for the family's dignity is called as honour killing.

**Kaur Maher (2018)** This article speaks about the honour killing and act against the woman it is the expression of cultural violation of the norms or the customs of the society.the killingA is done for the honour of the family or society.

**Zaidi et al. (2015)** This article speaks about the honour illing or the violence against women the case study which in the Pakistan is established by the media which is a non-governmental organisation.

Williams (2020) This article says that the other day about the cases that honour killing against the mother and the daughter by a man for the dignity of the family and for the violation of cultural norms.

**Fiske and Rai (2012)** This article says about the honour killing is in every place that it is the murderer done to purify the tarnished honour of the family or the dignity of the closely related people.

**Onal (2012)** This article says that even pregnant women If they violate the cultural norms they will be killed in front of everybody in the family or everybody in a particular society to restore community honour.

**Gill et al. (2016)** This article speaks about honour crimes against the female in this article the author said that the review about the 16 cases of honour killing throughout the world.if we read this article we come to know what are the major causes of honour killing and the elementary causing the honour killing.

**Jan (2009)** This article says that the review of eminent lawyers, social activists, and other general public about Honour Killing says that honour killing is the purification done for the violation of cultural norms.

#### **Research methodology:**

The research method followed in research is Empirical research. Empirical is based on observed and measured phenomena and derives knowledge from actual experience rather than

from theory or belief. The research design that is used in this research is descriptive because in this the problem is described The sampling method used in this research is that of non probability methods because the samples chosen are convent .Random sampling method was used for the purpose of this study. There are a total of 200 samples collected with regard to this study. The total response as collector in public places . The Independent variables are Age, Gender, educational qualification. Dependent variable are increasing punishment can control honour killings. Uneducated is the main reason for honour killings.In this research both primary and secondary data is Collected primary data is collected through survey secondary data through other documents. In the analysis part spss software is used for analysis diagrammatic representations are also included in bra graph.

#### **Hypothesis:**

**Null Hypothesis:-** There is no significant relation between uneducated people and Honour killing

Alternative Hypothesis:- There is significant relation between uneducated people and Honour killing

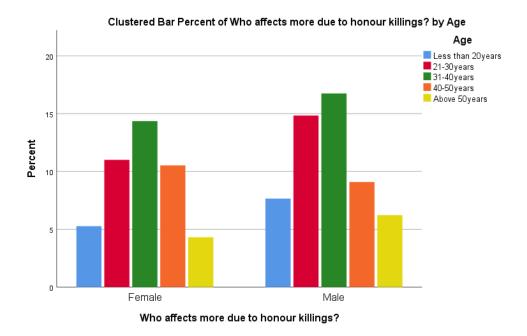
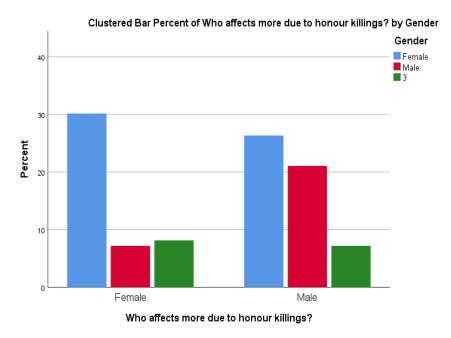


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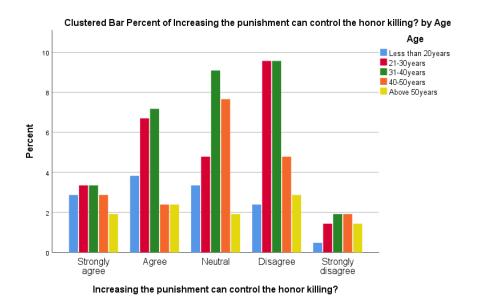




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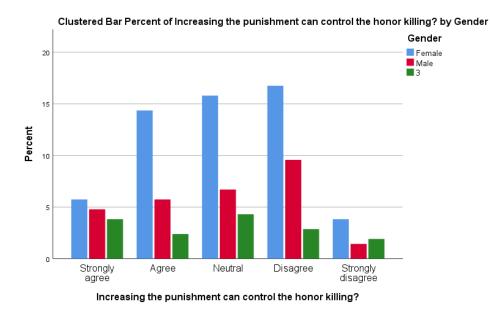


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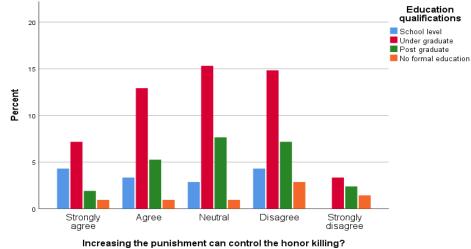
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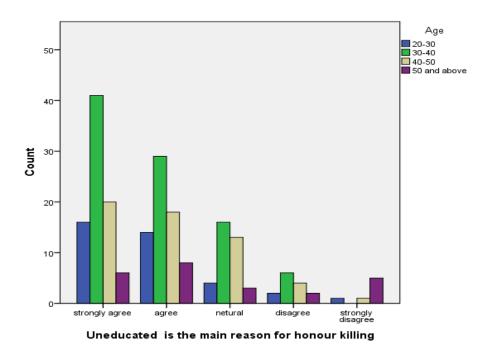


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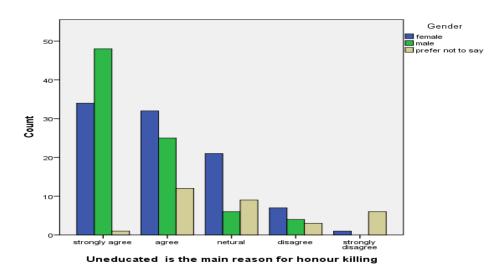
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### **Results:**

In **fig:-1** shows that the majority of the age group people are said that male and female are affected Only the response is little different so both male and female are affected.

In **fig:-2** shows that responses for the question who is affected more due to honour killing the response are classified according to their gender in that female response is more so majority are said female.

In **fig:-3** shows that people respond to the question that increases if punishment can control the honour killing. People's responses are classified according to their age 20-30,30-40 age people are responded high most of the people disagree for this question.

In **fig:-4** shows that people's response for the question that increasing punishment can control the honour killing the response are classified according to their gender majority of both male and female and other gender are said to disagree.

In **fig:-5** shows that people's response for the question that increasing punishment can control the honour killing the response are classified according to their education level that school level UG PG and no for education are said neutral and disagree only as slight differences.

In **fig:-6** shows that people's response for the question that Uneducated is the main reason for honour killing the response are classified according to their age (20-50 above) most of them are said strongly agree and agree.

In **fig:-7** shows that people's response for the question that Uneducated is the main reason for honour killing the response are classified according to their gender male female and other gender most of them are said strongly agree and agree.

#### **Discussion**:

In **fig 1**; the people's response for the question who is affected more due to honour killing people's response are classified according to their age in that age 20-40 age people responded

moreover equal they said both male and female are affected equally because now a days all are became educated so all age group person aware about honour killing . Honour killing is an act of murder by members of the family. This would be the immoral conduct of the members of the family belief in caste and gotras above one's life. It is done to remove a family member's dishonour and shame. The male or any member of the family kills the person who doesn't match their social standing. It might even be a pre-planned murder, the key reasons are caste and religion. Even after 70 years of Independence, people still believe in the superiority of caste above life. India is a democratic country where all people have the right to equal treatment and the right to life.

In **fig 2**; the people's response for the question who is affected more due to honour killing people response are classified according to their gender in that male female and other gender are moreover both male and female are affected equally. Thousands of young people in India have been done to death every year owing to Honour Killings linked to forced marriages and the country needs to introduce stringent legislation to deal firmly with the heinous crime. In Haryana, Rajasthan and Delhi region, an estimated hundred young men and women are killed on the orders of so-called "khap panchayats".

In **fig 3**; people's opinion on whether increasing punishment can control honour killing the response are classified according to their age in that 20-40 age people are responses high most of them are said to disagree. Because only punishments can't control honour killing punishment is given after a murder had happened so it has no use government want to take steps before it going to happened.

In **fig 4**;people response for the question punishment can control the honour killing the response are classified according to their gender in that male, female and other gender in that female response are more and majority of them say they disagree because only punishments can't control honour killing punishment is given after a murder had happened so it has no use government want to take steps before it going to happened.

In **fig 5**; people response for the question punishment can control the honour killing the response are classified according to educational qualifications UG, PG students are responded more majority of them says that neutral and disagree because The punishment for honour killing are Death Sentences or imprisonment of life to accused convicted of honour killing and penalty extend to Rs 5 lakh. In case of grievous hurt, punishment will be from 10 years

imprisonment for life with a fine of Rs 3lakh and in some cases 3-5 years jailed with fine up to 2 lakhs in hurt or injuries. The punishment for honour killing are already high So punishment alone can't control honour killing.

In **fig 6**; people's response for the question that uneducation is the main reason for honour killing people's response are classified according to their age 30-40 age group people are responding more and that most of them agree and strongly agree.

In **fig 7**; people response for the question uneducation is the main reason for honour killing people's response are classified according to their gender in that male respondent are high in that most of them are said strongly disagree because most of the honour killing take place in rural areas because of the uneducated so the government wants to create awareness about honour killing to control honour killing.

#### Limitations:

The major limitation of my studies is the sample frame. The sample frame is an online based questionnaire here .The restriction of sample size is also another major drawback. The physical factors are what is the most impactful and a major factor limiting the study. The reacher cannot be able to go directly and know about the opinion of the people , via online by using social media only the reacher is able to contact people and know about their opinion this is one of the major drawbacks.And the researchers has confined the current study to the aspects of reason for honour killing in India and it is limited to Indian jurisdictions.

#### **Conclusion:**

Honour killing, or a shame killing, is the homicide of a member of a own family, due to the perpetrators' perception that the sufferer has delivered shame or dishonour upon the circle of relatives, or has violated the standards of a network or a faith with an honour subculture. The main objective of the research was to find out the reasons for honour killing and increasing the punishment can control the honour killing. The finding of the research shows that females are affected more due to honour killing. There are many rights and legal guidelines delivered towards honour killing but nevertheless the exercise of honour killing has grow to be is huge spreading issue. The accused knowing that there is rigorous punishment for such a criminal offense still practices it with a mindset that honour of the circle of relatives is extra essential than the victim. They are prepared to stand the results of punishment rather than facing the

outcome of bringing dishonour to the own family. Education approximately the importance of lifestyles of every citizen in this earth must be delivered out. The people in the rural and urban areas should be educated and the consequences of the heinous crimes should be known creating awareness to them.

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