



## A sociological study of domestic violence against men

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### Abstract

In society, victims of domestic violence are frequently limited to one gender. It's thought that the victims will be women. Even in modern culture, it is still expected that the woman would always come out on top in a dispute involving a male and a woman in the family. This is because it seems that no one wants to see the other side of the story, or that men in society are hiding the terrible reality. It's common knowledge that domestic abuse mostly affects women, yet in many instances, males are also victims of domestic abuse, and women often torment men. The belief that women are the only ones who experience domestic abuse has been challenged by recent statistics. It is now also in front of society at this point. It should be noted that males experience physical, psychological, or economic violence at home or in society, and that men are not the sole victims of domestic violence.

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### Introduction

The times have changed so quickly that women have stretched their dominance, taken a seat in the dictator's chair, and are not afraid to mistreat males. The woman has taken her flight at a quicker rate as time has passed. She has made him so fast while flying that the only way he has stopped is to wave the flag of his dominance. This is the rationale for the widespread acceptance that we are living in an era of women's empowerment. In a world where women were once supposed to stand shoulder to shoulder with males, she has advanced significantly and left him in the past. Women's freedom has changed in the modern era.

The reason behind this heinous act of the wife is that she has now got the chance to exact revenge on all the men who had been tyrannising her for centuries without stopping to think. She suffered oppression and torture as well, and numerous laws were made to help her. However, today's situation is that the women tell the husband the truth and cheat him too. In addition, sometimes they do not hesitate to kill their husband. Hussain Ali, Founder of Vaastav Foundation, says that the victim can be any one the person should be mentioned instead of the women not the man or the women but guilty should be punished.

The definition of domestic violence is very broad. The only believe that women are the victims of domestic violence it is wrong whereas according to the law only a woman can file a case against her husband. A man is a victim of domestic violence. No case can be filed under this law. feminists believe that 70 percentage of women in India are victims of domestic violence in which the use of abusive words also comes. but when the same thing is raised in the context of men, She become silent. After all, men also suffer abuses and beating. Our society is made in such a way that husband can never be a victim of atrocities.

Patiala House Court Judge and Member Secretary Kamaljit Arora said that we are going towards the 21st century. Women are playing their important role in sports, scientists, pilots, judiciary and army. Even today women are victims of domestic violence. To eradicate this from the root, domestic

women will have to show solidarity. Despite having so many laws, so many laws, women are not safe nor crime against women is decreasing, but there is one more thing to think about if there is a crime against women, then by accepting those crimes, criminals should be punished.

There is also a provision for against laws. It is often seen that women are subjected to more atrocities, whereas in most cases it can be seen that men are also victims of domestic violence and women also torture men. Tell us if your wife is hurting. Such advertisements were once seen as a joke but today it is being seen as the truth. is bitter. But it is true. Men are also victims of violence. Recent statistics have changed this perception. Not only women, the other side of the situation becoming victims of domestic violence has also come to the fore, in which men have also been killed.

Normally someone is facing some kind of physical mental economic violence. For the last few days, there is a continuous increase in such cases in which men are also being victims of domestic violence and men are sorry that neither their grievances are being resolved nor society is doing these things. no one is accepting complaints.

Organizations like Save India Family Foundation, from an organization working for men who are victims of domestic violence, have been formed to raise their voice against the atrocities on men. We have often heard that domestic violence is inflicted on women only. But have we ever heard that men are victims of domestic violence. It would not be wrong to say that the victim of domestic violence is also a man and it can be said in this way that it is such violence that no man can openly tell this violence in front of anyone. say that because of the fear of society and family, he does not want to tell because the biggest challenge in the society of men is his family, society and relatives, due to which he is not able to say clearly the atrocities on himself. Because man knows that no one will easily accept this thing in the society and the law also has no recourse in this matter.

He knows very well. If his wife wants, she can send her husband or any man in the house to jail with the help of

domestic violence law. But this right has not been given to any man in any law. Men have simply been viewed with a possessive eye that what he is doing is justified. Nothing can ever go wrong with him.

But look at the irony of the society, the way men are being harassed day by day. Seeing him, it seems that if any section of the society is being oppressed and cannot raise its voice for itself, then that class is not a male class, that despite everything, it is silent and even here everything is being tolerated.

Is what is happening to him how fair and unfair it is, either he himself knows or knows his compulsion. The husband has the first place in the category of men who have suffered domestic violence. After that the relations of other men present in the family like brother-in-law, brother-in-law, brother etc. who are related to husband. What is the opinion of the society in this regard? The society itself is not ready to accept that violence can be done by women as well as men. Men are also being harassed by women.

Even if a man gets upset in his context and says this thing, then society sees him with an increased inferiority complex. As if not knowing how much wrong has gone with him and he will have to taunt and make fun of him. Thu Hai got beaten up by another woman over your manhood. This is your status. Just by such taunts men are forced to bear this violence Men are the victim in 40% of domestic violence cases. The data from Family Counseling Centers is proof of this.

In most of the complaints, 50 to 30% of the complaints and cases are related to men. The biggest thing to see is that while women find the only option to face this violence, the emphasis is on counseling for men. He wants that his married life should be saved by any means. Do not end under any circumstances. He does not want a divorce with his parents family, rather he wants to give a chance to his married life, not divorce for the honor of the family.

See the irony that the one who saves the house wants to leave the house and the one who takes care of the household wants to save not only that relationship but also this family by disintegrating it. In India, all the laws of domestic violence have been made in the interest of women, due to which the number of victims of domestic violence does not come to the fore.

A study by NGOs Save Indian Family Foundation and My nation has found that more than 90% of husbands in India have faced domestic violence at least once in a 3-year relationship. When she goes to complain about it, instead of listening to the police, she makes them a laughing stock.

### **Main Causes Of Domestic Violence on Men**

1. Generally men are responsible for taking care of the household expenses. Sometimes if a man is not able to discharge this responsibility in spite of the adverse circumstances, then he has to face various types of taunts and mental and emotional violence.
2. Just as women do household chores throughout the day and are tired by the end of the evening, they also go through almost the same situation. But if a man sometimes removes that fatigue in a little anger, then many women make a mess of things by promoting aggression.
3. Women always want their life partner to try to understand them. Help her with the household chores. But it never tries to know that. His life partner is facing

many kinds of problems for him outside and some women invite violence with taunting and sarcastic words without knowing anything.

4. The absence of any law to protect against domestic violence for men also shows a problem in the level of domestic violence increasing day by day among men.
5. Tolerating violence silently out of fear of society, do not say anything to anyone that society should not humiliate him. And don't look at him with inferiority complex.

### **Meaning of Research**

The domestic violence act allows women to legally dominate men and create such a society. in which men are deprived of their rights. He is denied many statutory and social laws or financial aid just because he is a man. there are three fundamental problems with this law.

He is gender wise by being completely on the side of women. The potential for its misuse is limit less. The domestic violence act, which encourage intolerance towards pretty domestic disputes and filing of lawsuits, is actually working to shake the very foundation of marriage there are fights between every husband and wife and they also say bad things to each other but with time every thing become fine because of this law small disputes have started reaching the court today and men are compelled to face punishment even for those atrocities which they did not commit.

This law is promoting divorce and breaking the house. Due to domestic violence, if a woman is more beautiful than her husband or man, that means if the husband or man is black, then she has to bear the remark of color discrimination. If a woman is more educated than her husband or man, it means that if the husband or man is less educated, then she has to bear the remarks of illiterate and cowardly etc.

If a woman earns more than her husband or man, then she has to face the taunts of earning less. If a woman works in a higher position than her husband or man, then she has to face the taunts of this too. Sometimes woman does not want to live with husband or man's family and husband or man does not want to leave his family, this is also a reason.

Sometimes the woman wants ownership rights over the husband or the man and the complete rights over the husband or the man. The interference of a woman's maternal uncle in a family also gives rise to domestic violence. In addition to the pre-marriage of a woman, extramarital relations are going on even after marriage or a love affair with a partner in the office also gives rise to domestic violence. Being too suspicious of a woman. The woman being too stubborn. Woman being too expensive. The hunger of women's pesos does not end. Lying on the matter of the woman.

This is not the first time that incident of domestic violence against men has been reported in India. Shockingly, out of 1000 men, 51.5 per cent experience spousal violence in India at least once in their lives. Even then, domestic violence against men is not recognized as a crime by Indian law.

The laws against domestic violence are women-centric excluding the possibility that men too can be harassed. Eventually, many men who face domestic violence either do not seek any justice or have to use other laws that address mental harassment or grievous harm. Due to this, many men face false charges of domestic violence in India that completely ruins their lives. Moreover, even if women are found guilty of abusing their husbands, they get out of it

easily because there is no stringent law against it. Shockingly, out of 1000 men, 51.5 per cent experience spousal violence in India at least once in their lives.

Is this fair? Why can't laws against any type of violence be gender-neutral? Don't the lawmakers of our country know that rape, harassment and torture are borne by men too? Why does society assume that torture and violence are suffered by women only? The same question repeatedly reflects the hollow supremacy of men in the society.

What a strong person this is who cannot even raise his voice against the crime being committed against him. It is as if the fear is so pervasive that you cannot accept the oppression even though you are. Can't even raise voice against him.

What kind of society is this and its belief is that it does not judge any criminal but on the basis of gender in the society, criminals and crime are judged. How is this arrangement justified? It is an understandable thing.

### **Abuse of Domestic Violence Law**

The law made to stop domestic violence with women tied in seven rounds has started being misused these days provision of section 498A law under the Indian penal code to prevent increasing atrocities on the married women. But often the people of the girls side are using it to exploit the in law's side. Stopping the unnecessary use of these steams of oppressions of women of women saving the broken family relationships has become a ground necessity today.

There is a provision in this law that up to seven years of marriage cases have to be registered in the form of harassment of women. Provisions of imprisonment for 3 years and fine if found guilty in this but there is such a competition in this case that even after 10 15 years cases are being registered in this section.

### **Women are Not Ready to Compromise**

The women is self-dependent today so she refuse to make any kind of compromise. the dowry law was also misused a lot. it is true that for centuries women are being given second status and he suffered no less.

The situation today is that men are falling prey to the same second class is the women no longer hurting her husband by pleading for feminism and openness. The disintegration of family values is happening due to such feminist institutions. Why is no such provision being made in which men should also get protection under the domestic violence act why is it being biased in this. Women do not want compromise in any way because they are so lost in the race of modernity that they do not consider themselves above themselves and above their freedom. Nor does anyone else, she just accepts any type of behavior against herself as an atrocity on herself.

She is not even ready to understand that this is the same relationship which both of them have handled for so many years with their mutual understanding and love.

Today, under the control of your ignorance and slightest mistake, you are ready to break this relationship. Any relationship can last a long time with love, understanding and some compromises. Whether it is that of husband and wife or the tolerance of parents is that quality of the relationship, on the basis of which a person overcomes even the biggest difficulties in the relationship.

How can it be rightly said that where a woman is tolerant, she is given the responsibility of taking care of the household by giving her the likeness of a goddess. She

herself is putting the relationship on hold by acting contrary to that statement. We are not saying that by giving the title of Goddess, women should be expected to sacrifice. Rather it is saying that with a little understanding and tolerance, a relationship and a broken family should be saved. Is it not proper to do this? Is it wrong and excessive to expect so much from a woman? Can we justify this statement as unfair in any way? Perhaps the answer will be no because each person with tolerance 'saves not only one relationship but also two families'.

### **Literature Review**

The above cases show how 498 A section has been misused continuously.

### **Arnesh Kumar Vs State Of Bihar & Ors. 2014.**

IN the said case arnesh kumar the appellant and Shweta kiran the respondent was married on July 1, 2007 Shweta kiran claimed in the court that her mother in law has demanded rs. She further claimed that she was thrown out of her in law's house due to non fulfillment of Dowry demand. Arnesh kumar had filed an anticipatory bail plea denying all the charges. Which was initially rejected by the learned session judge and then by the high Court. Consequently Arnesh kumar filed a special leave petition in The Supreme Court granted interim release to the appellant under specific restrictions. The Supreme Court held that section 498 A is a cognizance and non-bailable offence. And has made it a dubious place of pride amidst provisions being used as weapons instead of shields by disgraced wives.

The easiest way to torture is to arrest the husband and his relatives under this provision. The conviction rate in section 498 A is so high at 93.6% but the conviction rate is barely 15%. This data clearly shows how this share has been misused. In order to discourage unwarranted arrest of the accused the Supreme Court issued certain necessary directions for the police to follow before detaining a person.

### **Rajesh Sharma Vs State of Uttar Pradesh 2017**

In this case Rajesh Sharma appellant and sneha Sharma married on 28 November 2012 Sneha 'S father gave dowry to the best of his ability but the appellant was not happy. And harassed the respondent for dowry. The wife had filed suit against the appellant and his family. She claimed that when she was there her husband demanded dowry and her family members harassed her which resulted in the termination of her pregnancy.

Rajesh Sharma was guilty in the said case, but his family was completely ignorant in this case and the family members were innocent. In the case, the Supreme Court directed the constitution of a family welfare committee to deal with section 498 A of the I.P.C to protect the relatives. The purpose of this committee is to provide justice to the innocent and punish the guilty.

The primary goal of the committee is to separate genuine cases from fraudulent cases. It is to provide assistance to the victims of false complaints. The Supreme Court has observed that section 498 A of the I.P.C is being misused seriously and ordered that the harassment of a married man be stopped. Also the goal of this committee is to provide restoration of human rights of innocent people. There are many such cases which are in search of justice. In which men and their families are punished for those sins or as if they are punished for that mistake which they probably never commit.

### Objective of the Study

1. To Take Note of The Problem Of Misuse Of 498 A.
2. Domestic Violence Also Occurs Against Men To Uncover The Truth Of This Fact
3. To Take Equal Approach To Justice In Domestic Violence Cases To Men Like Women

### The Order of the Supreme Court Regarding the Misuse of the Domestic Violence Act

In view of the misuse of section 498 [A], the supreme court on 2 July 2014 asked all the police and magistrate not to arrest and detain relatives on their own under section 498 [A] of the I P C. the reasons for arresting the police will have to given to the magistrate, how many people have been caught under this section in the year 2012. Which is 9.4 percentage more than in 2011, 25 percentage of these are women. Which suggests that even the mother and sisters of the husband have not been spared where the charge sheet was filed in 93.6 percentage of these cases at the same time, the conviction rate i. e the guilty were found only in 15 percentage of the cases.

### Conclusion

It's been argued that although animals are protected in our culture, men are not covered by any laws. The tragedy is that many people choose not to take part in the protests against the atrocities committed against men and women because they are ashamed or find it difficult to acknowledge the atrocities they are subjected to in public. These atrocities cannot be stopped until men speak out for their rights and adopt this behaviour.

Additionally, society will not accept this. Thus, the only civilization to take action about this reality is the masculine one. Gender has always been the basis for social irony. That animal is the person. Justice has been served not on this account but rather according to the gender to which he belongs. From ancient times, the majority of women have experienced oppression in one form or another. The claim that women have experienced injustice the most is by no means unjust.

For some time till now in the history, most women have been the victims of injustice. She has been a victim but it will not be in any way unreasonable to say that the way the situation has changed for some time, on the basis of the way women have progressed towards success, it can be said that the way women have done The attitude has changed, in the same way men have also suffered from violence. Women have victimized men in different ways.

It's possible to argue that women have likewise exacted revenge for the centuries-long crimes against themselves that men have done against them; the only distinction is that women have the ability to express their suffering, whereas males have never been able to do so. They are unable to convey the horrors and violence they witness because of their social standing, which prevents them from being able to justify their suffering to others.

This is the irony of men's state, or the indifference to the crimes against them: they are unable to describe or justify the sympathy for the atrocities against them. He is listening only by being silent, and he must put up with it. He finds it difficult to articulate his situation adequately at times due to fears of his male friends, family, society, and relatives. Somehow, they just suffocate and remain patient. Violence

is a mindset and criminal behaviour that may happen to anybody; it is not gender specific.

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