

Welfare of women- A burning need.

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ABSTRACT:

This research paper is an attempt to reveal the status of women in society by the analysis of facts and figures obtained through secondary data. Again a loud scream in pain saying that Men and Women are just different from each other, neither lesser nor superior. Indian society is well known for Gender discrimination. Domestic violence (mental or physical) is socially accepted here. Men are becoming crueler and society is still a witness of entire scenario. Crime ratio is also going up and up with time. Last year Delhi gang rape was the evidence of insane crime, unsafe society and brutal mentality. Rate of infanticides have also increased here because of sex selective abortions. Increasing numbers of rapes and gang rapes are it defining the status of mentality of men and women both. It has become a responsibility of each human being to reshape and reconstruct whole system again where women also participate as an agent of change in the society.

KEYWORDS: Gender Discrimination, Domestic violence, insane crime, Brutal Mentality, Infanticides, Molestation, Zero Tolerance.

INTRODUCTION:

“Save Girl Child” This slogan can be very easily seen anywhere from last decade. Because the population graph of girls is declining drastically and average comes about 940 girls per 1000 boys, so as per the security guards of our male dominant society. Girls are required to balance this ratio, this world and this nature as well. But who will take the responsibility for the safety of girls and women who are alive on this planet, and if nobody can take the responsibility what are the benefit of such campaigning and spread awareness of “Save Girl Child”.

Indian society is well known for Discrimination against women. Misuse of advance technology is also at its peak. Violence against women is perhaps the most shameful human right violation. There is a need to look at crime against women which is just a tip of an iceberg of gender discrepancies in our society. One side we are campaigning

for undelivered child on the other side people especially parents are scared and worried about Nurture, Good education and safe survival with respect and dignity of their wife, daughter and sister etc.

CRIME AGAINST WOMEN (facts and figures):

Crime against women in India is increasing daily. Here are some glaring facts about crime against women in India from the latest National Crime report 2011.

West Bengal reported 12.7% of total such cases in the country (29,133 out of 2,28,650). Tripura reported the highest crime rate (37.0) as compared to the National average rate of 18.9.

The proportion of IPC crimes committed against women towards total IPC crimes has increased during last 5 years from 8.8% in the year 2007 to 9.4% during the year 2011.

Madhya Pradesh has reported the highest number of Rape cases (3,406), Molestation (6,665) and Importation of Girls (45) accounting for 14.1%, 15.5% and 56.3% respectively of total such cases reported in the country.

Andhra Pradesh has reported 42.7% (3,658) of Sexual Harassment cases.

Cases under Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act decreased by 2.6% (from 2,499 in 2010 to 2,435 in 2011). Andhra Pradesh (497) followed by Tamil Nadu (420) reported the highest incidence of 24.1% and 17.2% respectively of total cases (2,435) under Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act.

A total of 33,789 cases of crime against women were reported from 53 mega cities out of 2,28,650 cases reported in the country during 2011. And rate of crime in these cities at 21.0 was comparatively higher as compared to national rate at 18.9.

Among 53 cities, Delhi (City) accounted for 13.3% (4,489) of total such crimes followed by Bengaluru 5.6% (1,890) and Hyderabad 5.5% (1,860).

SEQUENTIAL STEPS TO OVERCOME:

A burning need of today is welfare of women also became a social responsibility of every being to aid in making this world a better place. In this vivid image to control violence and crime. There are different separate role have to play with honesty. These roles are:

- a) **ROLE OF SOCIETY:** Role of society started with family. As family is a candle for developing gender values, so it should play equitable role among girls and boys. By now it is seen that it has been taught in the family since the birth of a child that boys are granted for what they want to do and girls are born to borne. It created a kind of misbelieve that boys or males have all the powers to do anything. Such type of created mentality becomes nastier later.

This can be remove only if the families take the responsibility and set the examples to deal women with respectfully and equally. Also the roles of society go great with two words “Zero Tolerance”. Zero tolerance against Molestation, Acid attacks, Bride burning, dowry, domestic violence, rapes. Yet even the best laws cannot succeed if they will not implement at ground level first.

- b) **ROLE OF WOMEN:** “A woman is all for a woman” and somewhere in raising crime rate women are also responsible a little for her bad status. Always seems weak, helpless, hopeless demand security from others and need others to lead their life. In this process of developing herself in the shadow of someone else she easily surrenders herself. It is not sounds nice but women always like to create conflicts for other women in family and workplace as well. Women never ever seem united for their dignity and well being. Although the actual reason for this is the mentality in which they grown. Values and strong perception that women born to bear everything done by men.

But what the benefits to wake up after loosen everything. So it is

high time to get united and fight against all the evils of society. To take the responsibility of their well being with the help of media and law. Also empowering the other women around to be bold and alert for their dignity, Self respect and better survival.

- c) **ROLE OF GOVERNMENT:** It is very obvious that poor governance and poor law and order responsible for crime against women. So it is extremely important to take quick action against each crime and punishment also would be strict which cannot let a man or any person to think about crime. A part from post measures and preventions are equally required to maintain law and order. Campaigning workshop and seminars also help a lot and should compulsorily get start for man in each area of every district. Through these seminars and workshops it can be teach to treat a women equally respectfully.

CONCLUSION:

After worldwide campaigning, seminars and workshops and also with implement of strict law and order all around in the country. It may recollect the core values of India to give a respect and equality to women and girls. Certainly helpful in reducing crime rate and create a healthy and better world in which each mother or girl can live freely, safely and happily.

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Crime Against women: Women fight back

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Abstract:

If all the violence that have done on women, if we put in a bundle and rolled into one, then-
Earth would not hold it.....The sky could not enfold it.

The biggest irony of our country is here few women are enjoying position and power, simultaneously many other are going through rape, kidnapping, human trafficking, torture, molestation, sexual harassment, abduction, dowry. Data on Crime in India are published annually by National Crime report Bureau is showing the helplessness theory of women. In this paper, through the help of little example we update you with the stories of women who have taken the responsibility for their own personal self, defense safety and have found the courage to defend themselves and others.

KEYWORDS: Irony, Human trafficking, Molestation, Sexual harassment, abduction, defense.

Introduction:

It is hard to believe that in the same country where women such as Indira Gandhi, Soniya Gandhi, Sushma swaraj, kiran bedi are given the opportunity to serve in position and power at the same time thousand other women and their families worries about their safety everyday while simply walking home from work.

Urvarshi butalia, in an essay writes, "One of the most enduring clichés about India is that it is a country of contradictions. Like all clichés, this one too has grain the truth in it. At the heart of contradiction stands Indian Women; for it is true to say they are among

the most oppressed on the world, and it is the most liberated, the most articulate and perhaps even the most free. Can these two realities be simultaneously true?"

As Already Known- Indian society is well known for the discrimination against women. But there is a strong urge to know that women herself is also responsible for all wrong things. Earlier we said "A friend is need, when a friend indeed" now it's better to say "women are need when women indeed". Crime rate are shown by media are just tip of an iceberg which is deep rooted in society with women itself. So women

safety is the today's burning need of society and also responsibility of women to take care of themselves, take charge of their situation and solve all issues bravely.

Recent Incident of Shame:

The recent gang rape by 10 men in District Khandwa (M.P) including husband and other relatives, parade naked. Another recent rape case of U.P at Badaun where two sisters allegedly raped and murdered when they went to field to relieve themselves. After this case a women judge also became a rape victim found unconscious in her official residential. She was drugged and badly injured. Jyoti Singh Pande was brutally raped in moving Bus in Delhi at December-16- 2013 later passed away in hospital. Another 25 year old bride was beaten by family and husband for dowry in April 2013; all these are forcing us to set everything right by taking hold.

Objective:

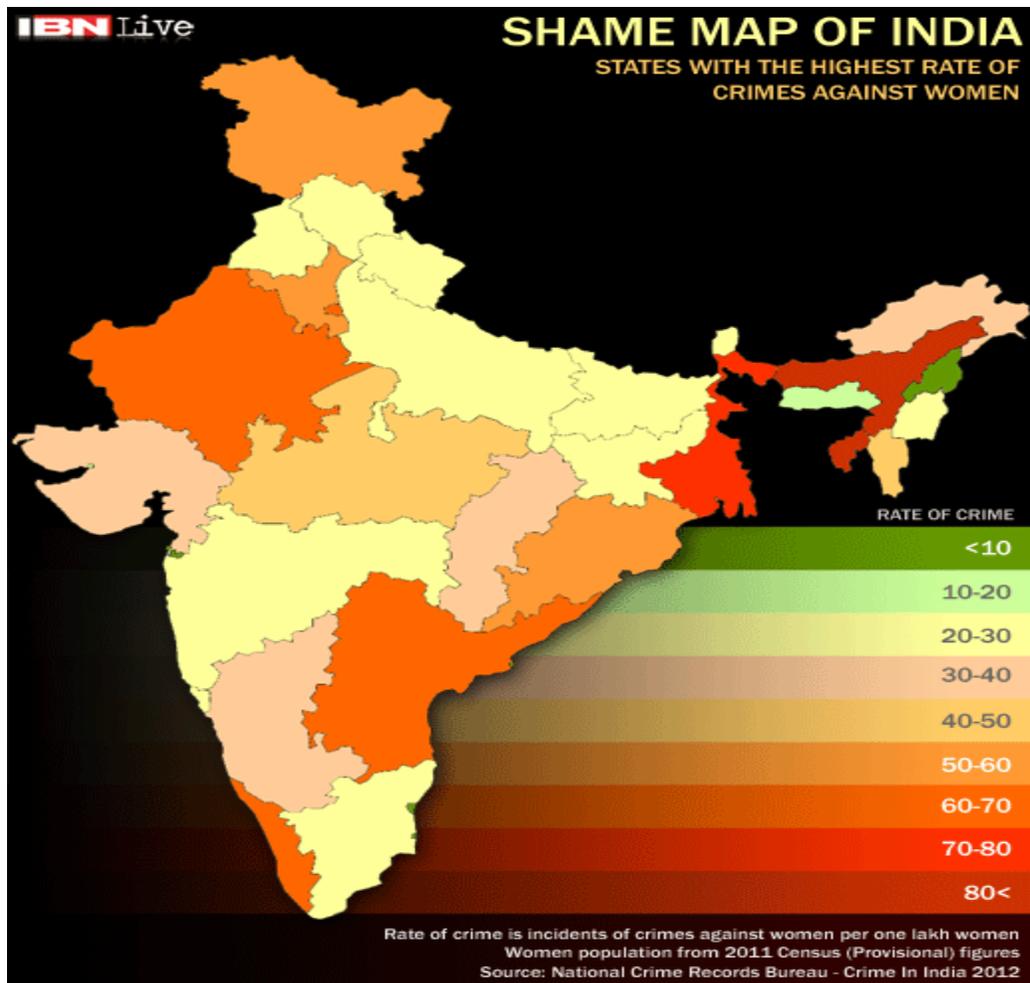
When the Government, Nation and our Constitution for past two Decades working for same cause. Prime Minister and Chief Minister of states are taking the initiative to

promote so many yojna for Girls education and safety. On the other hand crime rate are skyrocket. What can be the reason behind Diplomatic Scenario? , where nothing is working. No Government, No law, No police force and nothing seems to be right. No lesson has been learnt after so many tragedies and this shows the value of women in our country. Hence. The objective is very clear

“To make girls and women safe at any cost.”

Facts and Figures:

Statistics from National Crime Records Bureau's Crime in India 2012 report plotted on a map of India to highlight which Indian states have the highest rate of crime against women. According to the statistics, Nagaland is the safest state in India for women, while its neighbor Assam is the most unsafe. The rate of crime against women means the number of crimes against women per one lakh population of women. The statistics from the 2011 Actual Census (Provisional) women population have been used to calculate the crime rate.



Remedies for the safety:

From the apparent contradiction of the attitude towards women in India, rose the urgent need for women to support each other while Indian women are criticized for uniformity. But it is high time to take responsibility, get united and protest against every crime and each criminal. Also empower others around to be bold, alert for their safety and dignity. From this

necessity many movements were born. After rape case of Jyoti Singh Pandey on December-16- 2013 have seen a massive protest against sexual violence towards women in all parts of country. Now ,there is also need to focus on chipko movement in uttrakhand and Gulabi gang in Uttar Pradesh. The movement Gulabi Gang shows the anger and strength of women and their

unity through challenging situations. It is an extraordinary example of modern day women's movement forward in January 2006 by Sampat Pal Devi in Banda District of U.P.

This Banda District in U.P is one of the poorest region of most populated states where 20% of 16 million people are untouchable. Sampat Pal says- "Mind you, we are not gang in usual sense of terms. We are gang for justice. Nobody comes to help in these parts. The officials are corrupt. So we prefer to shame the wrong doers. Also she says- Village society in India is loaded against women. It refuses to educate them, marry them off too early, and barter them

Conclusion:

Although Indian society has terrible reputation in regards to their women. Here for few days in year we worship girls as Kanya but before and after those 9 days of Navratri she again become a slave, an unpaid maid, and object to use and throw. It is well known in the world that India is commonly referred in a feminine sense such as Bharat Mata or Mother India, where the women has been killed by the numbers of ways. They are becoming more fearful and miserable, on the other side Gulabi

for money." The gang seeks justice for various wrong doers against poor, child marriages, dowry, death, domestic violence and depleting water resources. In an effort to achieve justice against all above acts they made themselves strong and united. Sometimes they use lathis to attack the criminal of rapes, domestic violence. And then the legal action immediately taken by villages and government against the individual who is responsible for crime. When they will get united and fight back? When they will become strong and bold enough? But if they could do that, why not all women in India can do that themselves.

Gang and Chipko Movement shows how strong and wise women actually are.

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Women Empowerment and Its Impact In Indian Context: A Review

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ABSTRACT

Since the existence of this world women always being considered as secondary gender. India is an Epitome of Gender Inequality. Discrimination between Genders provokes miserable condition where women always placed inferior position than men. Social Custom and Indian society has been mortified women through different practices like child marriages, dowry, girl child abortions etc .With an objective to change a developing country as a developed country. Women empowerment being found as Sine Quo non .Education and Economic development are being found as great weapon to reduce the discrepancies and fight against inequality. For past two decades this campaigning has been going on in various ways. Government and Non -government agencies have been working. New laws and Amendment are being forced by Indian Constitution. This paper is an endeavor to gather previous research work. So far has been done on women empowerment in India and its impact. The study based on secondary data that is descriptive in nature. The primary objective of women empowerment is get women in power structure of society in order to elevate the standard women along with entire nation.

I. INTRODUCTION

It has been known very well, Indian society is male dominant society. Since beginning of Indian history women have been suppressed by men are part of culture hence, deeply rooted. Need of evolving the nation as Developed nation evoked these issues. Hence, women empowerment seemed as prerequisite to pace with globalization.

Women empowerment is a process by which women challenges the existing norms and culture, for well being. Empowerment of Women is a multi-dimensional processes that aid to women to gain authority and self- realization in improving their life standards. Education, economic development and awareness are the tools In government program and constitutional laws. Education is the most worthwhile milestone of women empowerment because it enables women to face and respond to challenges brings reduction in inequality.

“If you educate a man you educate an individual; however if you educate a women you educate a whole family. Women empowered means mother india empowered.”

PT JAWAHARLAL NEHRU.

I LITERATUREVIEW

a) **Shivani Gupta**, did study entitled of “Impact of Economic Development status of Women: An Analysis for India.”(2014). Main Objective has shown by title itself which is fulfilled analysis. This paper concludes Education and On Empowerment” are the key factors for women’s elevation, enrichment and enlighten. There is a strong

relation among education, economic development and elevation of women’s status yet there is a wide gap particularly in rural India that has to be bridged so as to achieve equality. Since Indian constitution has made, it is giving primary treatment to women and motivating them to come forward. The more economic independence of women the more will be contribution of women in national wealth creation.

b) **Kalpna J. Modi** under title “Education: Tool for Empowering Women.” (2014) with the objective to help women in attaining economic independence. Highlights through women empowerment literacy rate went up from 7.9% in 1951 to 65.46% in 2011. Author also found girls often prefer to for female types of courses e.g. nursing and teaching rather than industries. Gap has been figured out yet, religion and custom have seen as barriers. This paper also stated women have to stand against injustice. Women have to take their own responsibility and should demand their rights also.

c) **Rouf Ahmed khan** entitled “Role of Education in the Empowerment of Women in India.” (2015). Gathered Secondary Data and through the Analysis stated post independence a long journey has been traveled by women for their education. But difference between male and female literacy rate is still evidence of inequality. It has been shown in History “N” Number of movements and Struggles has been made by the man and women who were educated .In short, Changes have been made on the basis of education only. Illiteracy can’t elaborate the difference between good and ill. Hence, Education is theworld known milestone of women empowerment.

d) S.J. Sandhya in title “Impact of Education in Women Empowerment of in Bagalkot District, karnataka.” (2015) says Modern education has influenced women empowerment a lot but still rural women(in bagalkot district) are lagging behind in comparison of urban women. Education is a key factor of women empowerment. Empowerment can't take place until women are not truly aware regarding their worth in society .

e) S.Jothibasu in “Impact of Self- Help Groups On Empowerment of women with Special Reference To Ariyalur District Of Tamilnadu.” (2015) .Gathered primary data and highlighted in order to generate income various women of different age group with different social and marital status join SHG. The Impact of SHGs training is certainly positive with all parameters. Hence, it raised standards of women in different dimension including confidence, decision making and generating income.

f) Dr. Mani Mekhla Shukla did study in “Role of Government for Economic Empowerment of Women in India.”(2014). Consistent Endeavors of State Government with the different weapons of education and awareness working consistently has been helped. Still with the vision of gender equality is going ahead.

g) Tauffiqu Ahamad, Pankaj Tiwari, Mainaz Bano in title “An Attempt to Women Empowerment through Government Policies and Programmes – An Indian Perspective.” (2014). Highlighted there are various Schemes, plans and policies launched for women empowerment As Swashakti, Swawlamban Programme , Swa-shakti etc.with the objective of economic development of women . Authors also observed that Government is providing great help in order to share the responsibility of women and encourage them by Establishing hostel and crèches for their children of working women . Amendments have made to facilitate more relief and justice to women. Scenario is being changed but the process of empowering women in India has long way to go.

h) Dr. V .A. Patil stated in “Women Empowerment through Self Help Group With special reference to Shirol Taluka”.(2014). SHG is a quintessential tool for the empowerment of women. Aid is being provided to women by SHG in elevating their economic status and decision making as well but didn't help much with social standard at initial level. Requirement to develop more women SHGs has been recommended in this paper.

II- CONCLUSION

Reviewed Literature has been collected through primary and secondary data have brought us at a remarkable conclusion that Indian constitution along with Indian government are being safeguarded the interest of women in all the spheres .Reservation of

i) N.Prasanna Kumar under title “Rural Women Empowerment in India.”(2014). Studied Empowerment means to give power to one who is powerless socially, economically and in decision making etc. Constitution gives equality to women also regulating a good number of government program and policies . Education has proven itself as an effective tool as well as SHGs helps to elevate their status in various ways.

j) Mr.PemaLama entitled “Women Empowerment in India: Issues and Challenges.”(2014) Said empowerment of women stressed on to expand the power of women for their oneself as well as vision concerning future. Enlightenment of women is also play colossal role in their economic development with the liberty of decision making as well as enrich their social status with the help of education. In India Government also playing a vital role with the help of so many policies and program. Indian constitution is safeguarding the interest of women. The study still suggests right implementation of all program along with constitutional laws are prerequisite.

k) Sanchita Garai, Gouranga Mazumder, Sanjit Maiti in “Empowerment of Women Through self-help group:Empirical Evidence West Bengal,India.” (2012) brought that there is significant difference between the women who are the member of SHGs than the women who are not member of SHGs. Here the authors are providing the terminology of beneficiaries for those women who are the members of SHGs and non- beneficiaries are non members. Also observed that empowerment scale of beneficiaries is higher and better in all dimensions than non-beneficiaries.

l) M.Suguna under title “Education and Women Empowerment in India.”(2011) studied, Only Education brings awareness, that help women to understand the constitution and govt. plans for their betterment as well as it reduces gender inequality. Both of these constraints Education and awareness is good initiative of Empowerment.

women in different area in certain percentage encouraging women to confront the forward moves. Education and training by NGOs and SHGs are continuously evolving and emphasizing upon expansion of power of women for one self along with

vision of future.i.e 2020. Education brought out awareness and economic development both which helped in upliftment of their economic and social standard. Decision making has been improved. All these components raised their social standard accomodated women to help themselves as well as families. But as seen discrepancies and discrimination are deeply ingrained in women themselves and society respectively. Endeavors are being taken time but certainly we are being headed towards a better world with persistent efforts.

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