

Contemporary Culture, Muslim Woman and Society: Enlightenment in the light of Islamic Legal Thought

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Abstract

Women have a great significance in human legal Culture. An in-depth study has been done regarding the significance of women in Islamic culture and how the development of status women takes place in Islamic legal thought. This topic is very much debatable that were the women stands in the history till now in this modern world. The status given to the women was not good in the human history. The present study defines how Islamic legal system raised position of the women in the society. Islam has given much importance to the women in social sphere considering equal status as human and not making difference on the basis of gender. This study provides the Islamic legal thought regarding position of women in the society and clarifies the confusions in this regard. For this, analytical and descriptive studies have been which concluded that women are giving their rights in the Islamic thought and Shariah. The religious institutions, human rights organizations and the government of the country should make policies in accordance with the progressive development in legislation with respect to the women for a better sustainable society.

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Introduction

It has been aspired by the modern world that the society should be

established for every single individual in such a way that there should not be any discrimination on the basis of sex, gender, race and creed. Islam is that religion which in reality desires to contribute towards it, with respect to the status and position of women. With respect to the United Nation which calls for the new order of the world of humanitarian which is consistent with the human rights principles. When the Islam has emerged since the fourteen centuries which states explicitly about the family of human that it should be united and condemns the discrimination strongly among people, gender and race with respect to the right of living, and the acknowledgement and the recognition regarding the individual's dignity without any discrimination, in which for every person they call for the cooperation which benefit them. Without the difference on the basis of ethnic and the affiliation of religion, and the emphasis have been put on the fairness which should be same with respect to the right of living with honor and dignity, for safe guarding tolerance and peace on the planet.

The new society which is beneficent is founded by the Islam on the basis of humanitarian the way of living which has been instituted by it will guarantees the balance and equality and advocates for the love among every individual either for those individuals who are free and the lords of Arab which belong from the nobility of Qurayshite and slaves and also free the individuals from the nations and people which are different which includes Salman Al-Farsi, Suhayb Al-Rumi and Bilal al-Habashi. Most of the times it has been emphasized by the Prophet on humane, and the features of Islam which are universal.¹ For example:None of you has faith until he loves for the people what he loves for himself, and until he loves a person only for the sake of Allah the Exalted.²For bringing humane out, the features of the Muslims universally; as it comes in the saying: An Arab is not better than a foreigner, nor a white man than a black, unless he be more God-fearing.It has been argued that women shall be treated well, which states, women are the sisters of men."Such principles are in congruence with United Nations.³

Women discussed in the light of Sacred Text

There are three principles which the Quran has derived. First of all, Allah the Lord regarded mankind the successors of Him in the form of two gender on earth as man and women.⁴ In connection with this it has also been stated by Him:⁵After that He says that this earth has been built by both of the two sexes. It has been said by Him as:

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وما خلقت الجن والإنس إلا ليعبدون

With respect to all the individuals whether women or men are endowed with the same rights and responsibilities.⁷ On earth an individual is the vicegerent of the Lord Allah and they should adore the Allah Almighty. All the duties and responsibilities which have been granted them both due to His vicegerency, and due to the reality of peopling it and should adore Allah the Lord. As the individuals, man and women are equal in procreation of their families: Whatever the actions they perform and whatever they should devote

themselves towards Allah they achieve the esteem which is same in the eyes of Allah.⁸

وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا وَمَسْكَنٌ طَيِّبٌ فِي جَنَّاتِ عَدْنٍ وَرِضْوَانٌ
مِنَ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ ذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ⁹

For understanding the scope of such principles the status of women shall be examined before Islam and in the context of certain legal codes in the ancient times.

Women in World's Sacred Scriptures

Three examples shall be considered from the Manu's law, Pre-Islamic Arabia's law, and Roman law. Firstly, it can be seen what is written by Jawaharlal Nehru in one of his famous book named The Discovery of India: The legal position of women, as in the view of Manu, it were considered worst. Women were dependent on other always, the husband, father and son. In that particular society, the legacies were first passed down in the lives of male and the females were excluded from this. It has been said by Nehru: The status of women legally was very bad in India at ancient times, when can be observe according to the standards of modern which is much better than in Greece at ancient times, early Christianity and Rome.¹⁰

For the law of Rome at ancient times, it should be added to the statement of Indian leader. In the law of Roman, the women's position was dependent while denying the rights of women with respect to the legal capacity and in a condition of tutelage permanently was placed due to their gender. Irrespective of either they were adults or minors. The women were under the authority of their husband and father, and they should not be given any liberty that whatever goods they want to dispose they should according to their wish. They are unable to inherit anything, they only would bequeath. They regard women an object which would belong to the male. They had not any personality or reflection of their own. And they should not have any right of disposing the property of their own choice.¹¹

In the time of Christian early, due to the law of Roman along with the consequences, as has been said by the leader of Indian Nehru that may be due to organization of monasteries and non-allowance and rejection of women's marriage with the concern of making close relationship with Allah. The councils of the Christian churches also wondered regarding the souls of women and their nature. With respect to the status of women in much of the Arabian Peninsula's tribe. When Islam was preached by Prophet Mohammad (S.A.W), even it was bad. Before the time of Islam, the women of Arab were dishonored. And most of their male members of the family to which they belong used to buried them alive when their birth took place. Such a hatred attitude was suggested wrong through numerous considerations to them, the chief among them was the women's physical frailty and at that period the means of men were inadequate.¹² When Prophet (S.A.W) came He (S.A.W) condemned such practices as many times it has been came in Quran. There

comes:

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يتوارى من القوم من سوء ما يبهر به، أيمسكه على هون أم يدسه في التراب؟ ألا ساء ما يحكجون
"He hides himself from the people (because) of the evil of what he has
been given good news about. Should he keep it in humiliation or bury it
in the dust? Unquestionably, evil (is) what they decide."

Islamic Social Change defining woman role

The variations which Islam has done are very much clear. In some countries, the quality such as humanness is denied for the women along with those rights which are endowed in every individual by Allah Almighty. Prophet (S.A.W) raised His (S.A.W) voice for the status of women. The status of women is put in front of such matters which also Islam has deal, such principles have been stated: fraternity and interdependence among man and women; the women being independence to extreme allegiance towards Prophet and Islam, Which proclaims that the will of women was independent of male and emphasized on their capacity an duties when allegiance to God had been sworn.

When Prophet (S.A.W) came he stressed on the importance of women as they are also individuals and bestowed with the same right which means are gifted, their status was upgraded which can be viewed in the modern world as such individually having dignity similar to that of males without any difference, and with respect to the property not their legal independence is recognized which also includes saling, purchasing and marriage, without having any guardianship and not having any restriction on their duties and rights, having the complete responsibility similar to man as the God has entrusted as Muslim which is noble for human beings, including female and males, which has on earth represented by Allah and in this world.

Allah has place both male and female to worship Him on earth. From the state of nothingness, the position of women is raised by Islam. Such as from humanness to the recognition of complete human and from legal incompetence of having complete legal capacity. Further, Prophet (S.A.W) wants to raise the standard of women, in which mother have been placed first, then the fathers with respect to dignity, honor and piety.¹⁴

Solidarity between the Sexes in Islam

Allah Almighty has created solidarity and harmony between the sexes in Islam. He makes men and women partners and garments of each other. So it is very important for them to develop the relationship of mutual harmony and love and as well as respect each other. Similarly, they were also ordered by the Allah to perform the deeds and actions that are good and must avoid those things to perform which are not up to the mark. They were also ordered to indulge themselves in the religious practices including the daily five time practices, paying zakat, and obeying Allah and His Messenger as well.¹⁵ As it is clearly revealed in the following verse:

وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتُ بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ يَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَيُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ وَيُؤْتُونَ

16 الزكوة ويطيعون الله ورسوله أولئك سيرحهم الله إن الله عزيز حكيم

In this verse men and women were given equal rights and they were considered equal in the eye of Allah Almighty. Moreover, the main thing that is explained and understood from this verse is that women is not considered as an entity or thing in Islam but the women are considered as the independent being having rights and duties indulge upon them. They were given right to life and right to live as a human being. The women in Islam are not dependent on men and they both have their rights and duties which they have to perform in an Islamic society. So Allah Almighty has created men and women equal and given them equal respect.¹⁷

The Holy Quran also stressed upon the principle of 'the unanimity of both sexes' in the eyes of the Allah Almighty. The standard of superiority depends upon the piety and humbleness towards the Allah Almighty. Islam is considered as the religion of peace and love and it promotes love and equality for all the living beings. Islam as a religion of love also prohibits such actions that are against the dignity of women like burring the female baby alive and considering them inferior that they were even not granted as the right to worship and the mercy of Allah Almighty.

So everyone is given their respective responsibility and duty and it is obligatory on them to perform them honestly. Everyone is responsible for his own act and no one his liable for the acts of other. Thus Allah Almighty put the responsibility of guidance of their own people on the shoulders of both men and women according to their own respective duties. As it is narrated in the tradition of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W):

*'You are all shepherds responsible for your flocks; The imam is a shepherd responsible for his people; A woman is a shepherdess responsible for her people; A servant is a shepherd responsible for his people: you are all shepherds responsible for your flocks.'*¹⁸

This saying of Holy Prophet (S.A.W) diminishes and demolishes the discrimination between the sexes. Islam put emphasis on the equal distribution of the responsibilities in accordance with the power, physical fitness and in accordance with the role of a being in a society. The responsibility to perform their own actions with justice is the crux which is explained in it.

It is also very important fact to mention here that everyone is equal in the eye of Allah Almighty and in front of the law whether he or she is appointed on any superior or higher seat of power. Everyone has the right to question him about his act towards the public that mislead or harm the people or that are against rules and obligations that are enjoined upon us by Allah Almighty.¹⁹ It is implemented in the early days of Islam as well. As the following incidence make it clear:

One day Hazrat Umar (R.A) ; the second caliph of Islam was preaching against the excessive dowry and ordered that no one is allowed to take dowry

more than that of Hazrat Fatima (R.A) that includes 10 silver dirhams. So a woman questioned him that how you can fix something that Allah Almighty has not fixed by reciting the following words of the Holy Quran that says:

وان اردم استبدال زوج مكان زوج واتيم احد من قنطارا فلا ناخذوا منه شيئا^ا ناخذونه بيتنا وايما ومينا
It proves that in the early days of Islam the governor or any higher authority just like the caliph is answerable in front of the ordinary public for his acts. Now a day, it is known as the constitutional right of the every citizen as well as known with the name of freedom of speech. It shows the beauty and freedom of the religion of the Islam that even an ordinary woman has the right to question the caliph of that time and the West now introduced this concept which is already introduced by the Islam 1400 years ago with the name of freedom of speech to criticize any act of any one or any superior authority that is harming the public interest.²⁰

Similarly, when the woman criticizes the caliph of that time that has the superior seat and status does not feel his insult and admit his mistake. He even admires the criticize of a woman and thanks her for his correction. The conqueror of Persia and Byzantine realize that he was wrong and the ordinary woman from the public who criticizes him is right. So he takes back his decision.

So it shows that there is no discrimination in Islam in accordance with the sex or any superior authority. Everyone is equal in the eye of Allah Almighty and the concept of superiority relies on the piousness and piety. It also shows that a woman criticizes the superior authority in the early days of Islam which is now impossible for an ordinary being to dare to ask the question towards any higher authority. So that evidence of the history to question and criticizing any higher authority is also known in the history as a bold act.

Defining Women's Rights according to Islamic Law

Human being has rights and duties towards the other. The international law stressed and emphasized upon the basic and natural rights that are given to human beings by the Allah Almighty that includes right to life, right to make a family etc and the duties were judged in accordance with the civil law and the duties which are imposed on them by living in any society.

The religion of Islam does not only impose such basic and natural rights to the male members of the society but they are also enjoined upon the female members of the society as well. There is no discrimination of sex in this regard and everyone is responsible for performing their rights and duties justly. Everyone is considered equal in front of Allah Almighty and the basic of difference or superiority depends upon the piousness and piety.²¹

The religion of Islam on the other hand also clarifies the role of woman on earth that the woman is considered as the partner of the male member in the society for carrying on God's vicegerency on earth and together they form the two poles without which the balance of this vicegerency is impossible.

As well as woman is also responsible for utilizing the earth. It means that woman also is responsible for carrying out the family and they both themselves help each other in the process of reproduction. So it is considered obligatory on them to form the lawful family. Although they take part in the duties of the vicegerency, they are different in establishment. It means that woman is the one who gave birth to a vicegerence on earth and she is responsible for giving his child good moral characters, norms and values as well. The woman is the only one to bear a child; she only has the responsibility to feed them that includes suckling and taking care of them as a mother. As a mother a woman is given higher status than the father as the jannah is placed under the foot of the mother. It means that how much a person respects his/her mother and look after him; he will be granted jannah in the hereafter.²²

As the duty of earning is not placed on the shoulders of the women and that duty is imposed on man to earn and feed their family but on the other hand Islam does not prohibit women to earn. A women living in an Islamic society has the right to earn through the lawful means to help his husband and spend their livelihood more easily.

So man and women forms the fundamental unit of the society and both were given some rights and duties in accordance with their energy and physical fitness. If any one of them fails to perform their duty in the right way then the peace and harmony of the whole society became disturbed.²³It is not possible to stress too strongly the holy nature of the society that Islam sponsors. It is definitely close to a family ethics whose plan is to protect the family in the structure of the rules of complete equality between the sexes. This Islamic ethics is at likelihood with some moralities existing in the West. These often deteriorate family ties and do not give motherhood the importance it deserves. If the family unit is disturbed, society as a whole is unsettled. The position of women before Islam was very worst not only in Arab but also many other parts of the world. From many centuries, there is a male dominant society prevailing in the entire world.²⁴

For instance, the French revolution it leads and moves ahead and declared the rights of man and totally ignored the rights of women. One of the statements went totally against women and that is *man are born and remain free and equal*. And these were the words which totally went against to women even today.²⁵ But in an Arab book the civilization of the Arabs, it is mentioned there that the women are equal to men only in decadence. After the world war, a campaigned for women right has been done and got succeeded by adopting the text that women and men both are equal and will get equal rights in international level.²⁶

Unfortunately, some backward or worst practices are still prevailing today. Like custom of providing dowries to girls when they got married. Many other customs still are there in society specially in town.²⁷ Girls are considered as the burden for the parents but in Islam ladies are respect and it

is given to them as Prophet Muhammad (Pbuh) did his own time, when Hazrat Fatima comes then he (Pbuh) stand for her and also gives her some space to sit. A Muslim girl is rehmata, she does not leave the house of her father until got married and on her rukhseti timing she takes many gifts and even dowry and remained with her by her father. He is only generous person to whom he gives from his best.²⁸

Problem of women is also the problem of men. But now in many Muslim societies men specially support women now they are working in different fields even in politics. Man, also have understood the ability and skills of woman and also give respect to whatever field she is working today.²⁹

Preconceived Ideas about Muslim Women

A person has no command on the thinking and prejudice of other people what they think and what is in their heart. There are many prejudice ideas about the position of women in Islam.³⁰

Inequality between Men and Women as Regards Inheritance

An allegation according to which it is said that there is in equality of inheritance between the two sexes, established by Quran as mentioned in the following verse.

ولهن مثل الذي عليهن بالمعروف وللرجال عليهن درجة والله عزيم حكيم⁻³¹

This benefit is mentioned in Quran. As man is the head of family and the custodian of all the family so he must complete all the needs and desire of the family and the other thing which he must face is the society.³² So, a heavy burden is there on his shoulders and in Quran nafqa responsibility is also on his shoulder. Such hikmat behind this Quranic verse show fairness and nice decision and good distribution of inheritance done by Allah Almighty.³³ Man are the protectors and good maintainers of the house and family mentioned in the following verse of the Holy Text. it is true to be said that Quranic injunctions have great Hikmah behind it and saying this that women are not equal to men as regards inheritance is unfair.³⁴

Social responsibility as Bearing Witness

Women are equal to men. They have given the authority to give her witnesses but the things is a man witness is equal to two man which means like if she forgot or not available at the time of making decision and her witness is compulsory, so the other lady will be available there bearing witness is not an easy job. It is not only duty of one sex but the responsibility of other sex as well.³⁵ Quran strictly forbade to those who have bear witness, to not hide it. Women witnesses are important as in courts one woman got favor even one woman witness is present.³⁶ the Islamic rule about women should be explained in the light of principles of equality of both the gender. And in legal terms this explanation should be made with the reference of philosophical context of religion Islam.³⁷

Social Security: Wearing of Veil

Islam considered it as best activity for the Muslim women to veil their

selves because of two reasons.³⁸

Men and women are not allowed to be naked in front of public. As Islam is the great religion it gives the lesson of modesty and allows its believers to behave in a decent manner just to protect morality.³⁹

Islam even gives complete guideline regarding wearing dresses in devotions or in prayer like for men they have to cover their *satter* and that is from the belly button to the knees. Islam emphasizes on good dressing as mentioned in a hadith that whatever blessings Allah has bestowed you try to show on your body but not for the purpose of showoff, just for the purpose of being thankful to Allah Almighty.⁴⁰ For women, a proper limit for clothing is defined by Islam regarding prayer that how a woman should cover herself while offering prayers or doing any other devotions of Islam.⁴¹ Slandered set by Allah Almighty for women are little strict than of men as these are described by Islam and followed by our great Mothers- *Azwaj e Mutahirat*. So no questions still remain for answer.⁴² Women have to cover their full body except for the hand, feet and face when there is no evil or problem around her by men.⁴³

It is concluded that *satter* for men or women is compulsory and its limits is defined by Islam so Muslims have to follow that just for the sake of Allah Almighty even in Public or sitting at home alone. A Muslim woman when goes out she tries to cover her full body by putting a decent cloth on her body.⁴⁴ This shows a very high respect for the religion Islam and too much respect for the order of Allah for her which she tries to fulfill without any coercion or pressure.⁴⁵ But in early Islamic period this thing has done through some pressure then got no successes and when the following Quranic injunction revealed it was easier for the women to follow the instructions of Allah Almighty. Veil in Islam means to cover the bodies then purpose of *sutter* should be fulfilled.⁴⁶ Islam also condemns the nudist activities which are prevailing today in west and are very much common there but sadly now it is practiced somewhere in Arab and other Muslim society.⁴⁷

Severity of the Punishments for Adultery

The punishment which is described in the Holy Quran by the context of women regarding the theft punishment or the adultery punishments are very severe. It is actually very tough and very much rare for a culprit to pronounce the sentence to cut off his or her hands for theft and give flogging or stoning to death is the cases of illegal intercourse.⁴⁸ These punishments are severe for man also. Islamic courts even tries their best to not give these punishments in case of less evidence which not fulfills the criteria of being punished.⁴⁹

Evidentiary Requirements

Even today in the crime of adultery, courts required the evidences as these are the strict matter to deal with. Only those cases put in record in which guilty parties confess their crime.⁵⁰ Even judge tries their best to save the culprit by trying every legal resource to save the culprit or save their

honor. His acts show that he wants to save the persons from severe punishment.⁵¹

Islam is intended to deter potential criminals from committing them. Reason behind this is to preserve the family and society.⁵² In western law, non-Muslim give the punishment according to their law without giving them the relaxation in punishment, husband and wife could no longer enjoy the marital bliss which Muslim spouses enjoy and remain faithful to each other to their lord and also to their religion.⁵³

In Islam, women are equal to men. Islam always proclaimed that women are the sisters of men. They are the part of one another. Prof. Edured said in his book about Prophet Muhammad reforms were a source of countless progress and He (Pbuh) is the great man of the humanity.⁵⁴ He also mentioned some of the reforms done by Prophet Muhammad and one of the best was to save girls from burying them alive at birth time. Remarkable worked has been done by Him so He (Pbuh) got a cherished place in the history.⁵⁵

Social justice and Polygamy

As regards polygamy, Islam was not the first religion to institute it: it had been legally accepted earlier, at least since the birth of Judaism, which was the source of Christianity. It was so under all the Old Testament prophets since Abraham, who for the Arabs, the Jews and the Muslims is the first of the prophets. Moreover polygamy still survives today in illegal but genuine forms among the peoples who prohibit it.⁵⁶ This practice is very harmful both to the two lawful spouses and also to the unlawful wives and their children. Islam set out to remedy this state of affairs by a number of reforms. The first reform consisted of limiting the number of wives to four, whereas previously there had been no limit on the number. Secondly, Islam required the husband to observe the strictest fairness as between his wives in the matter of conjugal rights. Thus the wife is entitled to go to court if she thinks she has been wronged, in order to be re-established in her rights or have her marriage annulled.⁵⁷

Consequently, after a first marriage the husband can contract another only with the consent of his first wife. Thus each wife is legitimate and like her children enjoys the rights that flow from marriage, instead of being a concubine despised by society whose dishonor rebounds on her children.⁵⁸ By this prerogative the wife saves herself from shame, her children from perdition and her husband from infidelity. To deprive her of this legitimate personal right would mean condemning her to lifelong concubine, which could be a flagrant violation of her natural right to contract a legitimate union. But a first wife often finds it hard to accept polygamy.⁵⁹ So she is entitled, when signing the marriage contract, to make her consent subject to the condition that she is entitled to a divorce if her husband contracts a second marriage without her consent. This is the third reform introduced by Islam as regards polygamy.⁶⁰ By all these reforms (limiting the number of wives to four,

the duty of fairness as between the wives and the wife's right to a divorce should she not consent to a second marriage) Islam safeguards the interests of society. Husbands, wives and children can thus live completely lawful lives, have their rights respected and keep themselves from debauchery, infringements of their dignity and the ruin of their children.⁶¹

The number of wives being limited to four, some people may wonder why the Prophet himself overstepped this limit by taking nine wives when other Muslims must respect the limit. We would make the following comments before answering this question:⁶² During the thirteen years that followed the call to Islam the Prophet had only one wife, who was fifteen years older than himself. He had married her fifteen years before the call and he did not take another wife during her lifetime. Though the Prophet did in fact take nine wives, he only did so later in life, when he was at Medina and Islam was already stronger and spreading, but before the divine injunction limiting the number of wives to four had been promulgated or the reforms mentioned above introduced.⁶³

The Prophet chose his various wives, when Islam was expanding rapidly in Medina, for reasons connected with Islam. It was a matter of winning over the tribes to which these wives belonged and their leaders, and honoring wives who had lost their husbands because of the call. The women who chose to marry the Prophet were forbidden to remarry after his death.⁶⁴ The Prophet was thus not required to divorce five wives in order retrospectively to observe the limit of four wives imposed by the Qur'an. Moreover each time he married he did so for the sake of the cause, particularly from the time when Islam began to spread; for the Prophet needed his wives to propagate the rules of the among women. In any event the Qur'an also imposed limits on the Prophet himself, since he was categorically forbidden to contract any marriage apart from those he had already contracted, even if one of the wives were to die. He was also forbidden to substitute any other woman, however attractive, for one of his wives. The Prophet was thus subjected to prohibitions that did not apply to other Muslims.⁶⁵

Conclusion

In Pre-Islamic times it was seen that women were not given respect and were treated badly and man has tied the knots of every rights towards themselves. But when Prophet (S.A.W) came, He (S.A.W) raised the voice for women who were maltreated by the males. And the international organizations such as UDHR and United Nations Regarded both man and women equal in position, rights, status and responsibilities without any discrimination. Islam clarifies the role of woman on earth as woman is regarded the partner of the male member in the society for carrying on God's vicegerency and together they form the two poles without which the balance of this vicegerency is impossible. Islam does not prohibit women to earn.

A women living in an Islamic society has the right to earn through the

lawful means to help his husband and spend their livelihood more easily. If any one of them fails to perform their duty in the right way then the peace and harmony of the whole society became disturbed. Women are equal in status of man because both can form the family which is basic unit of the society. As there is no concept of giving dowry in Islam but in this modern world the girls are given the dowries at the time of their marriage. Daughters are considered as burden on their parents. But Islam has given much importance to the females.

In many of the Muslim countries, the status of women is well acknowledged as they have many skills and are serving in different professions. Islam regards veil as the best activity for the females to cover themselves from the males. The *satter* for man and women has been described by Islam. Therefore it is necessary that they should follow it for the Allah' sake. Islam condemns the illegal practices as they are prevailing in various nations. The illegal crimes such as adultery disturb the pyramid of the society. As condemns and dislike this act and prohibits individuals of doing that. Otherwise, they have to face its severe consequences.

Furthermore, Polygamy is not a new practice in Islam it is as old and is practiced in Judaism, Christianity, and Hinduism. And is practiced in many countries such as Middle East, Africa and Asia. Islam has put some conditions for a man who marries more than one wife and if he did not treat them equally he will be punished in the hereafter. As according to Quran it is not possible for man to deal justly with his wives which has limited this practice effectively.



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