

Reconciling Islamic ethics and feminist projecting ideas regarding gender discrimination.

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Abstract

Islam is a complete code of conduct and Quran is the blessing of Almighty Allah to all the world. There is almost every solution present to deal within society. Allah has given us the divine law to follow and set examples for others as well. Every society comes with some problems in it and up s n downs are there. Men and women are the part of every society. Allah had given equal rights to them but men are dominant to some extent by which women supposed that they inferior and men based society has no rights for women. The movement of feminism has a long history. Nothing is based on falsehood but it turns out the struggle of women become a movement and achieved its results but affected many things. These outcomes caused social, cultural, and religious debates in feminist discourse. This movement not only strengthens women's voices but also some false interpretations also presented regarding feminists' demands about Islam and women in Islam. These interpretations need to be counter-checked. In this paper the religious aspect and some false interpretations of feminists, their western culture is conferred and the Islamic perspective is presented through Quran and prophetic narrations. There is a comparative method to present the true picture and findings of the research. Women are human and human rights are women rights. A Muslim woman is shown oppressed and depressed in religious rituals as shown by the west, like they are bound inside their houses, not allowed to dress by their desire...etc. The true intention is to inculcate the doubt about women in Islam, the problem is to eliminate misconceptions present in difference of societies. The true picture is presented only by describing the Quranic teachings and rights that are given to women by Islam.

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Introduction

Islam has given women the value and dignity which she deserves. Islam emerged on the land of Arab where women are discriminated, assaulted and insulted. They are deprived of their rights. Arabs used to get rid of the shame came to them by burying their daughters alive. At that moment Prophet (peace be upon him) bestowed with Prophet Hood and he uplift the deprived

women^{1,2} He started the struggle from the beginning of Islam and ended to get back the dignity of women which they are worthy. That are called women rights in Islam. Here in this article Quranic ethics regarding women in Islam has been presented in comparison with today's issues present in our society. If we deal our women according to Quranic teachings, we can overcome our society's major issues.

The misconceptions of so-called feminists that are presenting the women in controversy that is now a day's main stream talk. The two sided game should be unveiled, so that's why should know about the brief history and the problem originated and cultivated. Now a day what it is presenting and showing and what actually it is? ³ The research shows what the actual Islamic perspective and Quranic teaching is. Quran has given their rights 1400 years ago for what they are fighting for long.

A general debate is there to be addressed that is about the dress code of the Muslim women by which some Muslim women always in chaos likewise the incident took place in India about hijab ban on Muslim women. ⁴They have trolled and harassed by the Indian Hindus not only in India women have been harassed in western countries also there is trend to harass and bully hijab as they think they belong to a terrorist religion. ⁵The question regarding dressing of Muslim women also need to be answered.⁶Why the western women not questioned about the revealed dress she wear? Why always Muslims in controversy? The question dress is always the same for every women. Where did modesty go?

Literature Review

There is a vast literature about the said topic research is going on but the situation getting worse day by day knowing all pros and cons there is always a need to getting newer improved version presenting the answers with new mind sets, in last three years in there are some books that present the literature, Molana Modudi has written a book entitled "*perdah*" regarding the said topic he covered all the aspects in a easy and scholarly manner, Asifa Siraj has written an research based article "*Meanings of modesty and the hijab amongst Muslim women in Glasgow, Scotland*"⁷which is based on interviews of thirty Muslim women in Glasgow, *Gender, Place & Culture, A Journal of Feminist Geography*. A book by Suad Joseph and Afsāna Nağmābādī, *Encyclopedia of Women & Islamic Cultures: Family, Body, Sexuality* is also highlighting the basic debates. *Women and Gender in Islam: Historical Roots of a Modern Debate* by Leila Ahmad⁸, the book also covers the topic vividly, one of the classic literature.

There is also a report based on Pakistani women in rural areas to calculate the gender discrimination or women rights named "*Rural women in Pakistan status report*" conducted in 2018 Prepared by: Center of Gender and Policy Studies in Pakistan that is funded by united nations Canada ⁹There is also a report presents the findings about men and gender discrimination issues by a survey conducted in 2017¹⁰. There is also data collected by global peace report in women peace and security index in 2019/2020.which also show index

of violation up to 50 years.¹¹

The feminist literature has been covered in short history of feminism. There is a lot of material present about it and still growing with new aspects. The question is why it is still needed to address such topics again and again with all those old justifications? in my view I have also a question, why all those learned and logical persons have the mindset that Islam is a suppressor and bound women in the ethical boundaries either it is a dress code or it's the obedience to his husband, or the limited part to economics. The actual condition in which Muslim women are present is different and the boundaries that Islam prescribed are different. So the main theme is to follow the Islam in its actual status not the followers who demonstrating their own preferences in the name of Islam.

Feminist movement and its historical background:

There is a phenomenal social movement with the hierarchy of gender defense. All this started with the oppression of feminine rights in male dominating society. It's a narrative of ideologies and movements. The aim is the same but all the feminists differ in their causes, intentions, and goals according to culture and social background.¹²

"The words "féminisme" ("feminism") and "féministe" ("feminist") first appeared in France and the Netherlands in 1872, Great Britain in the 1890s, and the United States in 1910. The Oxford English Dictionary lists 1852 as the year of the first appearance of "feminist" and 1895 for "feminism".^{13,14,15} (webster 2021)

It is calculated that the first wave of feminism is about gender inequality, such as in contract, property, voting while also promoting women's rights in bodily integrity and reproductive rights. In America this movement historically falls into two periods. "The first period began about the time of the American revolutionary war and continued until women secured right to vote in 1920. The second is from then until the present. Both the revolution and War give this movement a boost to the women's right fight. By 1920 women had secured more of her rights they sought, including the right of spending their own money, having their own professional career, to speak publically, right of vote. so the women satisfied and the quest of their rights disappeared. it started again after world war 2. The philosophy of women liberation had been turned into organization for its practical purpose, by the name "national women organization", that is founded by Betty Friedan in 1965".¹⁶

Feminist theology and religious contradiction:

This is also a movement called feminist theology. "This theory reconsiders the traditions, practices, scriptures and theologies of religion from the feminist perspective. Some of their demands are increasing the role of women among religious authorities, reinterpreting women's place in relation to the career and motherhood and studying images of women in the religions sacred texts."¹⁷

Christian feminism:

This branch claims to understand and interpret Christianity in light of equality of man and women. Because of gender biasness the teachings of Christianity need to be reviewed. Their major issues are male dominance, ordination of women claims of moral deficiency and inferiority.

Islamic feminism:

Islamic feminism starts during the third wave of feminism, in 1956 Jamal Abdul Nasser started state feminism which outlawed the gender discrimination and also blocked political activism by feminism leaders. During Anwar Sadat era he and his wife also publically advocated women rights. But new movement Islamic feminism began to take place by some activists. (Wikipedia n.d.)

“Islamic feminist discourse has been presented by Margot Badran in 2002. They ground their arguments in Islamic teachings. They demand equality in public and personal spheres and include non-Muslim debates Fatima Mernissi a Moroccan sociologist and Laila Ahmad, Amna wadood”.¹⁸

Pakistani Feminism

Dr. Jaweria Khalid and Khalid Manzoor butt defined feminism as an equity of women and freedom from gender discrimination in their study entitled “Position of Pakistani women in 21st century”¹⁹

There are 2 dimensions of Feminist Discourse in Pakistan, modern Islamic feminism and secular Pakistani feminism. Asma Barlas, Amina wadood and Riffat Hassan redefined Islamic views and centeric Islamic laws regarding women rights. On the other side Shahnaz Rouz and Fouzia Saeed talks about basic human rights without religious boundaries.

Women in Pakistan are suffering from domestic violence²⁰, oppression, sexual harassment, rape, disrespect, and suffrage.²¹ So Pakistani feminists are here to protect all those women just like the feminist movements in other countries. There is no comparison of Pakistani women with western woman. They are respected mostly but where the ethical values are being valued. But the deprived women rights have been manipulated under religious banner.²²

Social issues of Pakistani women

The truth is that women in Pakistan suffering from violence, harassment and oppression, this should be opposed and condemned according to the report about the rural areas in 2018.²³ The women in Pakistan has a strong family system merged with values. Westernization and modern ideology is entering in our family system in a very impressive manner. It's not only in Pakistan but all in Muslim communities. Modern feminist ideology is getting its roots day by day specially in modern families where women are mostly more valued and respected. The movement is for those, who are suffering from lack of value respect and facing prejudice. The need of the hour is to understand what is necessary to do. We need to stop rape cases, women assault, harassment, domestic violence, child labor, many more things to do. This is not

that feminist movement who is going to fight with oppression or with women rights. They raised those slogans (on purpose) which raised more misconceptions and anarchy in society and in religious bodies. It is needed to stand for those women who are suppressed to help those who are in harm and in misery. For this purpose, the movement should be in action not only in Pakistan but also in other countries as well. The roots should be on ground and demands should be reasonable. The way feminists are representing themselves not only criticized but the movement for those who are on right side lack the respect and acceptance. Islam is by the side of women in this regard. Women are not deprived of her rights in true practices of Islam. They presented "Aurat" march in such a way that they want total freedom from men and freedom from their own homes and also total freedom from religious borders. They even don't want any ethical norms and religious realms.²⁴ They presented shameless slogans, shout out loud for what they want "freedom beyond the borders of modesty" .These feminists showed that they are not with the women oppressed, what is their purpose.

Quranic guidance of a Muslim women rights

If we talk about Islamic perspective about women rights. Islam answers all questions of feminists, which they are fighting for centuries. Prophet Muhammad (P.B.U.H) came with complete code of conduct. Which covers all perspectives of life, Islam has given women dignity, protection, self-awareness, freedom to live, and freedom to express. We do not need such type of marches for rights. We just need to follow our sharia and law.

Religious ethics and respect given to women

Islam is the religion that prophet peace be upon him brought in the Arab society where women are distinguished and have no respect at all. The people used to burry alive their daughters and the women are only sex slaves in front of them. Prophet (peace be upon him) presented the verdict of peace and he brought life to the women of that society. He prohibited this inhuman act and ask to give respect to women. The sayings of the prophet Muhammad are as follows:

(Translation)

"Narrated Abu Hurairah:

Allah 's Apostle said, "Treat women nicely, for a woman is created from a rib, and the most curved portion of the rib is its upper portion, so, if you should try to straighten it, it will break, but if you leave it as it is, it will remain crooked. So treat women nicely."²⁵

By these sayings we came to know that prophet peace be upon him know that women have their own feelings and how to treat them showed with example.

If a woman in Islam is a mother, there is Jannah lies under her feet. If she is a daughter, then she is a key of Jannah for her father on her good upbringing prophet (p.b.u.h) promised that he would be with him in Jannah like two fingers together. If she is a wife, then she is half of the eman of her

partner and be a source of good in his life. If she is a sister, she is respected the most. There is a whole chapter in Quran named "AnNissa" which also express the importance of women. There are many Surahs guide us about social and moral values about women.

Prophet (peace be upon him) said about the *dignity of mothers*:

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ قَالَ: قِيلَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ، مَنْ أْبْرُ؟ قَالَ: أُمُّكَ، قَالَ: ثُمَّ مَنْ؟
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Abu Huraiyra said, "The Prophet was asked, 'Messenger of Allah, to whom should I be dutiful?' 'Your mother,' he replied. He was asked, 'Then whom?' 'Your mother,' he replied. He was asked, 'Then whom?' 'Your mother,' he replied. He was asked, 'Then whom?' He replied, 'Your father.'"

There is also a misconception about Islam and Muslims. Although here are the list of feminist claims and their answers about what they want from society. And what Islam says about their claims.

Women rights in Islam

The question of gender discrimination i.e. social rights raised by feminists can be answered by these Quranic references below,

Social rights:

1. Gender discrimination(creation):

2. Allah created men and women as he had a same purpose to create them.so they are created from one soul. Man and woman are soul mates, women are created from men and men are given birth by women, so there is no question of gender discrimination. In surah An Nisa Allah says:
3. "O mankind! Be wary of your Lord who created you from a single soul, and created its mate from it, and from the two of them, scattered numerous men and women. Be wary of Allah, in who's Name you adjure one another, and the wombs.¹ Indeed Allah is watchful over you." (Quran 2014)²⁷
4. Allah almighty says at another place:
"But those who do well whether male or female—and have faith will enter Paradise and will never be wronged 'even as much as' the speck on a date stone."²⁸ (Quran 2014)
5. The creator itself never discriminated Allah almighty always used a common gender word "azwaja" to describe the importance of both. He will reward on the bases of good deed not on the base of gender whether he is man or woman everyone is equal in front of Allah almighty. In surah nahal, ayat 72:
6. "Allah made for you wives of your own kind and made for you from your wives, children and grandchildren, and gave you sustenance from the good. So why do they believe in the most beautiful and deny the blessings of Allah?"²⁹

2. *Man and women equality*

Man and women are given equal rights in Islam in many ways. Man and women are created and there is no gender or social discrimination according to Quran. There is equality in gender, social circle and nationality. There is a purpose of every creation man and women are creation for the purpose of reproduction. The plants and animals who have been paired in gender. So there is no Question of gender discrimination. Surah zariyat: 49

وَمِنْ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ خَلَقْنَا زَوْجَيْنِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ

"And of all things We created two mates; perhaps you will remember."³⁰

There are names, nations and tribes' differences are created for the sake of identity. So there is no social discrimination. As the Quran says in surah Hujurat ayat: 13

"O mankind! Indeed, we created you from a male and a female, and made you nations and tribes that you may identify yourselves with one another. Indeed, the noblest of you in the sight of Allah is the most God wary among you. Indeed, Allah is all-knowing, all-aware."³¹.

2.1-Equal rights to marriage:

Women are given equal rights to marry. They have free right to accept or reject a person they don't want to be married, like men. They cannot be forced to get married to that person who they do not want to be their life partner. Even they have right to leave that person after marriage if they are not comfortable with the right of "khulaa". But it is not encouraged to get rid of the person without any valid reason or just get any material benefits using this relaxation, as mentioned in Quran and prophetic traditions.³²

2.2-Education rights:

Islam given education rights to women along with men. Education is right of all.

The first ever revealed verse of Quran says

اقْرَأْ بِاسْمِ رَبِّكَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ ۙ

"Recite in the name of your Lord who created"³³

"Recite, and your Lord is the most Generous Who taught by the pen - Taught man that which he knew not."³⁴

3- Economic rights:

It had been so long that feminists ask about their economic rights to own property to own their money, free to spend money of their own. Islam has given rights to Muslim women, to earn, spend and own.

3.1- property owning rights and inheritance:

Women are deprived of inheritance they have no rights to own their property in many places.

In Islam wives, daughters, mothers and sisters are given rights to own their properties and the rights to inherit property. They get right of inheritance from their fathers, their husbands and in-laws.

It's mentioned in Quran:

وَالنِّسَاءُ صِيبٌ مِّمَّا تَرَكَ الْوَالِدَانِ³⁵

“Men have a share in the heritage left by parents and near relatives, and women have a share in the heritage left by parents and near relatives, whether it be little or much, a share ordained [by Allah]” (Quran 2014)

Here are the rules by which inheritance is transferred.in surah nisa :11

“Allah instructs you concerning your children: for the male, what is equal to the share of two females. But if there are [only] daughters, two or more, for them is two thirds of one's estate. And if there is only one, for her is half. And for one's parents, to each one of them is a sixth of his estate if he left children. But if he had no children and the parents [alone] inherit from him, then for his mother is one third. And if he had brothers [or sisters], for his mother is a sixth, after any bequest he [may have] made or debt. Your parents or your children - you know not which of them are nearest to you in benefit. [These shares are] an obligation [imposed] by Allah. Indeed, Allah is ever knowing and Wise.”³⁶

وَأَكْمٌ صَفٌّ مَا تَرَكَ أَرْوُجُكُمْ إِنَّمَا يَكُنَّ لَهَا وَوَالِدًا

“And for you is half of what your wives/husbands leave if they have no child.”³⁷

So there are some *rules to inherit* but no one is left suffered.

تِلْكَ حُدُودُ اللَّهِ وَمَنْ يُطِعِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ يُدْخِلْهُ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي

These are the limits [set by] Allah, and whoever obeys Allah and His Messenger will be admitted by Him to gardens [in Paradise] under which rivers flow, abiding eternally therein; and that is the great attainment. (sahih international).

3.2 Personal finance:

In Muslim marriage men give women the “mehr” which is mean to own her as wife and obligation by Allah to man. There is no limit how much a woman can ask or a man can be agreed to give her. Here is one thing to mention man is not supposed to ask her to give back or force fully take it from her unless if she give him that money with her own will.

وَأَتُوا النِّسَاءَ صَدُقَاتِهِنَّ نِحْلَةً³⁸

“Give women their dowries as an obligation; but if they remit anything of it of their own accord, then consume it as [something] lawful and wholesome”. (Quran 2014)

“If you desire to replace a wife with another and you have given the former ‘even’ a stack of gold ‘as a dowry’, do not take any of it back. Would you ‘still’ take it unjustly and very sinfully?”³⁹

3.3 -Financial support by spouse:

Men are made to earn for them and contribute their money in home women are not supposed to earn and run home and then do house chores as well. So men are made a little superior to contribute the expenses totally. They

made responsible to fulfill every need of their women and children. Women do not need to worry about the expenses whatever clothing, groceries, even providing shelter is responsibility of men. If a man is earning and not giving the money to house wife, he is punishable in front of Allah almighty.

Prophet peace be upon him asked men when they marry a woman to provide them with their sustenance (shelter, food, what they need. etc) and clothing in a good manner. so women do not need to worry about the earn money by themselves. This is obligatory to men.

قَالَ فِي ذِكْرِ الْأَنْسَاءِ: { وَاللَّهُنَّ عَلَيْكُمْ رِزْقُهُنَّ وَكِسْوَتُهُنَّ بِأَمْرٍ غَيْرِ مُسْتَلِيمٍ } 1 .

Narrated Jabir (RA):

The Prophet - (ﷺ) in the Hadith of pilgrimage which is long - said in regard to women, "They (women) have rights over you (the men) to provide them with their sustenance and clothing in a reasonable manner." [Muslim reported it]⁴⁰.

"Men are the caretakers of women, as men have been provisioned by Allah over women and tasked with supporting them financially. And righteous women are devoutly obedient and, when alone, protective of what Allah has entrusted them with".⁴¹

But in return there is some to be promised by women that they should be obedient, will be care taker of the home they made with men. The wealth and off springs they have; women are given the responsibility of upbringing with Muslim ideology of their children so that there is balance in society. There is no burden on men and no burden on women both are given their responsibility. If there is any mismanagement its human error. so both are asked to do the duty allotted to each of them then there will be no oppression.

3.4 Independent stability:

Women can earn by their own it's allowed in Islam. Hazrat Khadija run her own business and also she sent her slave Maisara to different places to sell her goods.⁴² She traded what is symbolic business for men. Women who own skills she can do many things to earn.

If there no one to earn for them they can work domestically or at workplace. They are not restricted. The money she had, a husband cannot claim to have that money or to spend.

4. Domestic violence

Domestic violence is strictly prohibited in Islam. Basic Human rights are women rights. Women in Islam are protected, dignified, and given all the rights what she deserved. Domestic violence is not encouraged prophet peace be upon says:

I asked, "O Messenger of Allah, what are the rights of a wife of one of us on her husband?" He replied, "You should give her food when you eat, clothe her when you clothe yourself, not strike her on the face, and do not revile her or desert her except within the house." [Reported by Ahmad, Abu Dawud, an-Nasa'i and Ibn Majah, al-Bukhari mentioned part of it [the last sentence] as

Mu'allaq (a broken chain from the side of the collector, i.e. al-Bukhari), Ibn Hibban and al-Hakim graded it Sahih (authentic)]⁴³.

5. Sexual harassment

Sexual harassment is forbidden in Islam. It is categorized in "Fahisha":

Allah almighty said in surah nur:

"Those who cannot afford marriage should be continent until Allah enriches them out of His grace. As for those who seek an emancipation deal from among your slaves, make such a deal with them if you know any good in them, and give them out of the wealth of Allah which He has given you. Do not compel your female slaves to prostitution when they desire to be chaste, seeking the transitory wares of the life of this world. Should anyone compel them, then after their compulsion Allah is indeed all-forgiving, all-merciful". (23:33)

Allah almighty forbidden and suggested a punishment for the sinners:

"As for female and male fornicators, give each of them one hundred lashes, and do not let pity for them make you lenient in 'enforcing' the law of Allah, if you 'truly' believe in Allah and the Last Day. And let a number of believers witness their punishment.

Religious ethics for women to follow

If I call Islam a religion which brought back women's dignity it will not be a wrong claim. Feminists defame and demerit religion because religion is about nature and it is based on human nature. Religion as I mentioned earlier that it is a complete code of conduct.so the code of conduct applies on men and women both. If a woman wants to get rid of suppression and she doesn't want to be deprived of basic rights, there are some rules for women also. It will help in balance of society. There are some obligatory ethics that women should follow if she wants to get all of the benefits Islam has given her.

Hijab

Women are supposed to cover themselves in order to be recognized that they are Muslim women and are not to be treated like other women. They are different from those women who want to expose their body in public and want to be victim of harassment intentionally. It is obligatory because it is from Allah's obligation just like other obligations like halal food etc. as Quran says about this in surah nur:

وَقُلْ لِّلْمُؤْمِنَاتِ يَغْضُضْنَ مِنْ أَبْصَارِهِنَّ وَيَحْفَظْنَ فُرُوجَهُنَّ وَلَا يُبْدِينَ زِينَتَهُنَّ إِلَّا مَا ظَهَرَ مِنْهَا
وَأَيُّضَرْنَ بِحُمْرِهِنَّ عَلَىٰ جُيُوبِهِنَّ وَلَا يُبْدِينَ زِينَتَهُنَّ إِلَّا لِبُعُولَتِهِنَّ أَوْ آبَائِهِنَّ⁴⁴

"And tell the believing women to lower their gaze and guard their chastity, and not to reveal their adornments¹ except what normally appears.² Let them draw their veils over their chests, and not reveal their 'hidden' adornments³ except to their husbands, their fathers, their fathers-in-law, their sons, their stepsons, their brothers, their brothers' sons or sisters' sons, their fellow women, those 'bondwomen' in their possession, male attendants with no desire, or children who are still unaware of women's nakedness. Let them

not stomp their feet, drawing attention to their hidden adornments. Turn to Allah in repentance all together, O believers, so that you may be successful”.

So here it is explained what the women are supposed to do. There are

- Lower their gaze
- Don't reveal adornments
- Cover their heads and chests with a veil.
- Don't expose adornments expect “Mahrams” explained in Ayat.
- Do not stomp feet to get attention.

These are the things included in hijab. The same content is explained in surah Ahzab ayat 33.

“Settle in your homes, and do not display yourselves as women did in the days of ‘pre-Islamic’ ignorance. Establish prayer, pay alms-tax, and obey Allah and His Messenger. Allah only intends to keep ‘the causes of’ evil away from you and purify you completely, O members of the ‘Prophet’s’ family!”⁴⁵

Speak with strong voice

A woman with other men should not spoke with soft and affable voice so that a person with worse intension gets any of attention. (Explained in ayat 32in surah ahzab) so women should have strong behavior and harsh accent to repel those intensions.

Avoid adultery (fahisha)

Women are supposed to being loyal to their husbands. They should not have the hidden relationship any kind of friendship. So Allah asked women to be pious and loyal to their husbands. If they are un married they don't have to make premarital relation but have to become pious and must have no hidden relations. as mentioned in surah Nisa and Ahzab.⁴⁶

Obedience

Women are asked to be obedient. Lower in their voice and gaze.

Honesty

It is expected that a loyal woman is honest to keep her husband's money and his entrusts with honesty and protected so that he may work for her and her family with full devotion.

Upbringing of offsprings

Women are entrusted with children and wellbeing. She has a responsibility to upbringing her children with full devotion with the spirit of true believe.

False perception of feminists about patriarchal system

Patriarchy is the main basic problem of feminism. They are against patriarchal system. They are against male dominating society. They are against male biology actually. They have a question why men are supposed to be men and why this gender discrimination occurred on this earth. They want to uproot the whole system. In simple words they are against the rule of nature. They are

against religion in this regard for some extent. The question is that how to bring balance to the society to counter the patriarchal system.

The rule of nature is that almighty has the authority what he wants to create, men or women. Men are made stronger than women because they are made to protect women naturally. If some of them are abusive it is not the fault of the creator, it is the fault of the creation who spilled all the mess. Men and women are created to bring balance in society. If there are some ethics to follow than both have to. This is not the responsibility of anyone of them.

If we say that this is society of men. Women given social rights also. They are socially respected as a woman they are given first placed value. Everywhere in Muslim society. The people are not same they have different perspectives to think and play .so there is also different level of moral values. Everyone is free to choose and live. We cannot bind others to agree with our point of view. Here at this point feminists themselves have difference in this discourse and after that different feminists emerged. So practices in religion by any person also differs. Not all the believers are same.

Conclusion

Feminism on the whole is a movement a phenomenon that have been radically brought change in society. It is the women initiated movement that have been changing time to time with becoming more demanding. Although it succeeded in some extent but due to being modified in its purposes get backlashes and internationally criticized. It also brought more discussion about religion and society in the system. However, in any society it cannot be claimed that if a women standing openly without clothes it is not ethical responsibility of all men to not even stare her. Yes, the question of descent clothing is there. It makes a lot of difference. By using their questioning claims here in this paper, I have tried to bring Islam and feminists together on one page by giving evidence with true Islamic sources. I definitely claim that Islam is the religion of women who not only dignifies but it makes men the defenders of women. Islam has given women a shield to be protected by its ethical obligations. If a society is true Islamic society, rules should be practiced than ratio of oppression, and suppression of women can be decreased. The ratio of rape cases, sexual harassment can be reduced. Domestic violence can be changed into happy homes. We can change our societies into heaven. when the rule of the creator is not followed by any reason it's our personal choice that we are not willing to bring harmonious change in society, so, we should blame ourselves not the sharia and law. Islamic prophetic era and the era of khulafa e rashidon are the true examples of Islamic societies. If we talk about findings, law of nature always remains the same it cannot be changed. If anyone go against it there will be a disaster ahead. It will be social, ethical and can be spiritual.



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