

THE CONDITION OF INDIAN WOMEN IN 21ST CENTURY: IN THE PERSPECTIVE OF CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN

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ABSTRACT

It is commonly said that Women are progressively being regarded as major, strong and valuable contributors to men's lives. Women hold an important and worthy place in Vedic society. The Vedas praised them as mothers and idolised them as Goddesses. However, in India women have long been repressed, depressed, and controlled in a patriarchal system. Male oppression against women is a serious phenomenon. Most women all over the world are strongly affected by their fear of being assaulted. Based on the report of NCRB, the number of total offences against women identified in 2020 was 9,782. In India, there are numerous criminal offences against women, such as molestation, raping, attempted kidnapping, dowry homicide, abuse (mentally and physically), acid attack, child marriage, and the import and export of girls up to the age of 21, domestic abuse, sexual harassment in the workplace, and so on. Based on the report of National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), most women in India are highly unstable in their marital lives. In India, violence towards women is a common practice and day by day it increasing at an alarming rate. In that circumstances, social workers should take a massive liability on their shoulders. But that liability is that of women themselves, and women need to organize themselves.

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