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# **Socio-Social Impact of the International Covenant** on the Rights of Women (CEDAW) the causes and Solutions in the Light of Sharia Islam

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#### **Abstract**

Women are confronted with a lot of problems. In different parts of the world some social and cultural attitudes still discourage the women from getting their established and assigned rights. The factors which are responsible for this phenomenon include societal norms orthodoxy and some social customs contrary to Islamic instructions. For instance, discrimination against women could be in terms of inadequate nutrition, denial or limited access to education health and property rights child labor domestic violence and forceful marriage. So far as the Islamic instructions are concerned these are derived from Quran and Sunnah and clearly describe women's rights but due to some socio religious customs and undesirable behaviors the societal status and role of women have been badly affected. An international document the convention on the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women also lists the rights of all girls and women. CEDAW recommends that all discrimination against girls and women must be ended. In this paper the terms have been analyzed in the context of Islamic instructions and teachings in order to provide academic material for bringing positive change in the society.

Key Words: Quran, Sunnah, CEDAW, Women, society, convention, Sociosocial. International Covenant.

#### **Introduction:**

In order to make human life beautiful and attractive Allah created women along with men and determined the scope of each of the two classes according to the best standards of reason and logic and also determined their rights as part of the line. In which each gender is obliged to get its rights as well as to pay the rights of the other so that there is no feeling of deprivation and reaction in any one. Wherever human civilization suffers from inflation due to its natural weakness that's where the society begins to deteriorate.

Ancient times put all the power to prove the superiority of men and modern ignorance reacted to



this mistake and wanted to make a woman participate in the race for equality. She went ahead until the man standing next to her seems to have absolutely no value or value. Modern academic civilization has accepted this as an inescapable reality there was an effective motive where men considered women as a means of luxury so her status in this society became like a money buying concubine.

A study of the history of the world shows that the destruction of the world's greatest civilization took place in such a situation when the woman lost her rightful position and became an instrument in the hands of the man or went out of his hands. That is why even today in some countries of the world women are treated very unfairly on the basis of gender even though they also have the same rights as men.

As a result of this unfair discrimination of rights women can neither get proper education nor have adequate health facilities .In addition women also find it difficult to get a job and are sometimes denied the right to vote .Women who are racially discriminated against include people with disabilities indigenous rural women the financially poor and women from different cultural groups.

### **Background of Contract CEDAW:**

In the modern era many voices have been raised for women's rights and many important laws and regulations have been set but CEDAW is one of the most famous and important agreements on women's rights. CEDAW There is a global agreement on women's rights that seeks to determine the right direction of women's rights. CEDAW Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against women is an abbreviation. Which means the meeting on the Elimination of all Discrimination against women and it was a global convention whose main purpose was to promote the movement to end any kind of discrimination against women.

Women's rights are jointly defined in CEDAW. For the West this is a very important milestone in equality of men's and women's rights which recommends the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women. Since the main purpose of this agreement is to eliminate discrimination against women. In view of its importance the United Nations adopted this treaty on December 18, 1979 .As of 2010, 186

countries had ratified the treaty. Ratification means that the governments of the countries that have ratified it will not only take all measures to guarantee the rights of women in the CEDAW but will also include these rights in the country's laws related to women.

#### **Basic features of the agreement: CEDAW**

The International Convention on the Rights of women consists of a total of 30 articles. Articles 1 to 16 recommend steps that any government may need to take to end discrimination against women .These articles also identify specific areas where discrimination such as laws against women, marriage, education, health and employment should be eliminated.

Articles 17-22 recommend the formation of a committee of international experts and lay down rules and regulations for the formation of this committee .The committee will also monitor whether the countries that have ratified the treaty will work to end discrimination against women. Whether you're really taking steps or not! Articles 23-30 of the CDAW state that the United Nations and elected governments must work together to end discrimination against women and ensure that women's rights are fully protected.



Many rules have been formulated regarding women's rights and many articles and papers on women's rights have been written from different angles but the need of the hour is to compare women's rights set in CEDAW with Sharia Islam . This is because many Muslim countries including Pakistan are involved in ratifying this agreement and ratification of this agreement means the inclusion of the proposals of this agreement in the agreements made at the domestic level .A careful examination of the work done on women's rights shows that there has been supplementary work on women's rights but no work has been done on the relevant and recommendations of this universal agreement of women's rights.

Therefore, there is a need to compare this universal women's rights treaty CEDAW and Sharia Islam and identify what are the rights of women that Islam upholds and the International covenant on women's rights . What rights are given to women, so that not only women's rights can be accurately determined but their rightful place in society can also be Determined.

### **Comparison of CEDAW and Islamic teachings:**

Islam advocates justice in the rights of men and women. The Islamic family system, based on justice and equality between men and women actually requires formal and numerical equality between each and every two .In the Qur'an and Sunnah there is a clear and definite ruling that Islam does not believe in any kind of discrimination between men and women but requires that women also enjoy their rights with men.

Some developed countries have raised the voice that reciprocity between women and men is based on inequality between women which has resulted in women obeying the husband in order to survive .And she is limited to domestic duties and if she fails to obey her husband she is denied the right to maintenance. It is as if the man has supremacy in the relationship between the dead and the woman, due to which the woman has also lost her basic rights in the society. To deal with this situation, on December 18, 1979, at the

United Nations General Assembly approximately Twenty countries presented a manifesto called CEDAW, which proposed to give women the same rights as men. On September 3, 1981, the United Nations adopted this charter as an international treaty.

### **Definition of discrimination according to CEDAW**

The agreement initially defines individual-individual distinctions making it easier to study the diverse divisions in society. Therefore, in the first article of CEDAW discrimination is defined in these words:

Discrimination against girls and women means directly or indirectly treating girls and women differently from boys and men in a way which prevents them from enjoying their rights.

Discrimination against girls and women refers directly or indirectly to treat them in a way that is different from the rights of boys and men in the sense that prevents them women from enjoying their rights .Islam has completely discouraged gender or tribal discrimination and in this regard the essence of the texts of Sharia is that in Islam, the only reason for the difference between men and women is piety and faith and deeds therefore when the wives expressed their reservations that the Qur'an commands only to men .The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: "Have you not read this verse in the Qur'an

"Whoever of men and women does good deeds and is a believer, We will give him a pure life and give him the best reward for the good deeds he has done".



"The real distinction and superiority in Islam is based only on virtue and piety

## "O mankind, we have created you male and female, and divided you into nations and tribes so that you may know one another."

Therefore, the origin of discrimination is based on the principles and foundations in which the concept of ultimate well-being and success is practically prominent. The definition of discrimination made in the agreement is totally unreasonable and impractical in terms of Shariah and terminology.

#### **Policy measures: CEDAW**

The second article describes policy measures to end discrimination against women and explains that governments should take steps to end this discrimination. In this regard CEDAW recommends:

Government's must not also Discrimination against girls and women. There must Be Laos and Policies to protect them from any Discrimination. All national laws and policies must be based on equality of girls and women and boys and men. There should be punishment for not following the law.4 "

Governments should not allow discrimination against girls and women. There should be laws and policies to protect them from any discrimination. All national laws should be based on equality of women's and men's rights. Punishment should be given for not following the law.

All governments have been recommended to take steps in this regard, prioritizing the complete discouragement of gender discrimination. Rather, it has recommended immediate steps to elected democratic governments to give equal rights to men without discrimination.

### Guarantee of basic human rights and freedoms:

In article 3 the agreement emphasizes that governments should take all possible steps in the political, social, economic and cultural spheres to ensure that women's rights are protected. The CEDAW describes the following:

"Governments must take actions in all fields political, social, economic, and cultural to ensure girls and women can enjoy basic human rights and freedoms.<sup>5</sup>"

"To ensure that women have all basic rights and all kinds of freedom, governments must take steps in all areas political, social, economic and cultural".

In Islam women's right to freedom is as much as that of men whether it is religious or worldly. He has every right to exercise his opinion freely as a man within religious boundaries as Umar said on one occasion

People are warned not to tie the seal of women too much, if it was a great thing in the world to tie more, and if it was a matter of piety, the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) would have been more deserving of it. On this speech a woman interrupted in a full assembly and said "How are you saying this even though Allah says:

## "And you have given one of them a lot so do not take anything from it."

When Allah has made it permissible for a husband to give a gantar in the mahr then who are you to forbid him? Umar heard this and said: "You are all more knowledgeable than Umar.<sup>7</sup>

The woman's freedom of opinion was not violated as to why she interrupted Umar ra nor was it



said why she was objected to because Umar's speech is of precedence and superiority which proves that women have every right to their freedom of opinion .Even Islam gave slaves the right to have free opinions within Islamic boundaries. In the

case of the Arabs, the slaves used to act on it without hesitation even without fear and risk on the opinion of the Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) which was not as a prophet. The source of this freedom of expression was his self. His training instilled the spirit of freedom of conscience within the limits of Shari'ah in the wives which affected all women.

#### **Demand for special measures:**

The implementation of this agreement has been addressed directly to the governments so that it can definitely be taken. In this regard, in the fourth article, CEDAW calls for special measures from the governments of the countries of the world in these words:

Governments sold tech special Majors and Special Actions to and Discrimination against girls and women. There were special actions thought for girls and women are not a way of discouraging against boys and men. They are meant to speed up equality

between girls and women and boys and men. These specific measures should last until equality between girls and women and boys and men is achieved.<sup>8</sup>

"Governments should take special measures to end discrimination against women.

Special measures that are in favor of women are not a way to eliminate discrimination or discrimination against them, but they are aimed at eliminating discrimination between women and men .Equality has to be accelerated. These special measures should continue until the goal of equality between women and men is achieved. CEDAW this article places excessive emphasis on equality of men's and women's rights. It is true that in Islam, men and women have equal rights with each other and women are considered as an important pillar of society. Allah says interpretation of the meaning

### "And women have the same rights as they have over men"

Islam has given women all kinds of basic and personal rights equal to men, and by making women free of all kinds of duties and obligations like men, women have been declared as half the society. Thus, it is said:"

### "Then their Lord accepted their supplication saying, I do not waste the work of any of you, even if he is a man or a woman"

However unlike the CEDAW in Islam a man has a slight advantage over a woman in certain matters two examples of this are very prominent, in which many are included in the first verses of Surah Nisa in which Allah mentions the rights and duties of husbands and wives and describes the status and powers of husbands.

"Husbands are rulers over wives, because Allah has preferred one of them over the other, and because men have expended their wealth." So good wives are those who are obedient and guard the secrets, for Allah has also Secrets are protected. And admonish the women you fear rebellion, put them in bed, and punish them

physically. Then, if they become your enemies, do not seek a way against them.



### Verily Allah is exalted and great."

The contents of the text explain that Allah wants a man to play his role as a dominant partner in the marriage relationship, while the woman should be obedient to him, and if he if there is an attitude of rebellion from the side then the husband also has the right to give proper physical punishment from Allah Almighty. In the same way where the matter of divorce has been mentioned, it is also said in clear words. It has been said that In the case of divorce Allah has given a man a degree higher.

#### "He can divorce, while a woman cannot divorce directly."

After divorcing a man can return within iddah and has this right for two times. This directive is also very clear regarding the superiority of a man in Marriage which cannot be described in any other interpretive framework .The Qur'an gives a man a status in marriage states more of his rights explains his powers more and tells the woman to maintain this relationship by adopting an attitude of obedience in this relationship and accepting the supremacy of the husband.

The second point under the Quranic texts is the division of inheritance. In the Quran Allah has revealed children parents, husband and wife and

He has described the parts of the siblings and has made it clear that this division of inheritance parts has been done by Allah on the principle of closeness and profit. Since human beings themselves cannot justly determine how much they benefit from which relationship and in terms of which relative should get a share in what proportion when a person's share is divided after death.

### **Ending the role of stereotypes:**

The concepts in Muslim society are called conservatism in contemporary times although they are all part of the divine religion and its teachings. The treaty tried to label the ideology of this tribe as extremist and stereotyped . However this Shari'ah and the texts seem to completely reject it in this regard CEDAW recommends.

Governments must work to change stereotypes about girls and women and boys and men, especially if these roles are based on boys and men being considered better than women and girls. 13

Governments must play a role in eliminating stereotypes against men as well as women especially at this time according to these ideas and roles men should be considered better than women.

Women have an important place in the formation and construction of society the stability and development of the human race is impossible without women it is a fact that despite this importance women have been subjected to a large amount of oppression in the society.

The CEDAW's recommendation to end stereotypes against women is not at all contrary to and contrary to Islam. Islam also abolished the oppression and inhuman treatment of women in the time of ignorance and women. They have been given their legitimate rights. But in the International Convention on Women's Rights CEDAW if stereotypes refer to Islam if there are restrictions that Islam imposes on women, then it is not feasible in any way because the teachings of Islam are actually the basis of the infallibility and honor of women. The main reason for oppression and discrimination against women is ignorance of Islamic teachings, outdated in conflict with Islamic teachings. It is a deviation from ideas orthodoxy and true Islamic teachings.

Unfortunately in our society some stereotypical cultural and cultural practices and negative attitudes have had a negative impact on the role of women due to distance from religion.

### Laws on women's trafficking and prostitution:

In underdeveloped countries women live in extremely adverse conditions. Where they are bought and sold they are also forced into sex trade.

It is recommended to stop every attempt

Governments must take action, including making new laws, to end trafficking and prostitution of girls and women.<sup>14</sup>

Governments should take steps to stop the sale and selling of women and prostitution as well as enact new laws.

From the perspective of Sharia Islam it seems that the concept of Islam about women is more comprehensive and encompasses every aspect of respect for women. Islam upholds the dignity and dignity of women. The CEDAW says that it is a completely unjustified demand to make new laws for the dignity and dignity of women. Sharia Islam has not left any aspect of women's dignity and infallibility untouched.

In fact you have perfected it by doing it in practice. He gave the example which is a torch light for mankind coming to the day of resurrection. The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) granted full rights to women saying that it is the responsibility of men to protect their dignity.

" .It is haram for every Muslim to have blood, his wealth and his honor over another Muslim" On the contrary Islam has strongly condemned the one who brings a letter on the chastity of women and has told him the message of painful repentance. In this regard complete

guidance can be taken from the incident of Afaq after which Allah gave the commands in Sura Al-Noor .

## "And do not force your slaves to do wrong, if they wish to escape, so that you may gain the wealth of this worldly life".

Here it is forbidden to force slaves into what was a bad and very bad aspect of Pre- Islamic society at that time so free women will be involved in this matter whose prostitution will be considered a great sin. While the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) has declared the one who sells a free slave as a cursed and severe sinner. As it is mentioned in hadith:

## "Allah says: There are three people with whom I will quarrel on the Day of Resurrection."

One is the person who gave in my name and then cheated. The other is the one who sold it to a free man and ate his price. The third is the one who hired a labourer and took his work from him but did not pay him his wages.

Which clearly means that free man whether he is a woman or a man, has been forbidden by Islam by giving a clear command in it.

### Women's Political and Public Life:

This agreement draws attention to government legislation to strengthen women in



political and public life in a number of ways in this regard the Women were right to vote and elected to government positions. Girls and Women Were Right to take part in the Decisions Were Government Max and the way it carries them out. They have the right to participate in nongovernmental organizations (NGOs).<sup>18</sup>

Women also have equal rights to vote and be elected to government positions. Women also have the right to participate in government decision-making and their completion. They also have the right to participate in NGOs.

Islam recognizes women's political rights so the Holy Qur'an mentions the pledge of allegiance to women at the hands of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) as Allah says interpretation of the meaning

"O Prophet( peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), when believing women come to you to pledge allegiance to Allah that they will not associate anything with Allah, nor steal, commit adultery, nor kill their children, nor bring any slander that they wear between their hands and feet, nor will they disobey you."

They also work to pledge allegiance to you.

Accept it and pray for forgiveness from Allah for them indeed Allah is Most Forgiving, Most Merciful. Allegiance is an act in which men and women obey the in all lawful matters and the welfare of the Muslim Ummah.

We pledge to support all measures taken for the sake of a stable system of government in the society.

This recommendation mentioned in the CEDAW is consistent with Islamic teachings however by participating in these matters sometimes the woman is separated from the home environment and is not able to properly train and take care of her children. For this reason it may be considered appropriate for him to give top priority to domestic responsibilities but this does not mean that he is not eligible to participate in political activities.

#### Role of women at the international level:

Steps have also been taken to increase the representation and influence of women at the domestic and international level in this regard CEDAW also gives women the right to represent their country at the international level and join international organizations: "Girls and women have been right to present the Countries Were International level and to participit In the work of International Organizations the truth was this United Nations the European Union and the International Committee of the Red Cross among many others.<sup>20</sup>"

Girls and women have the right to represent the country at the international level as well as participate in the activities of international organizations such as the United Nations the European Union and the International Committee of the Red Crescent and other organizations like that Highlighting the overall role of women and their utility in society Islam has defined their rights but in this regard it has been slightly different as to what is the scope of women's activities. Therefore a section of scholars is inclined to give full resources to women in their academic and social activities so that they can learn .Their share in broadcasting could also be included. While in economic matters, since they have not been made free they should be asked to fulfill responsibility by declaring men as real. On the contrary the Modernist class gives women the right to freedom in view of their need and utility in various fields of life .The



moderate and moderate is of course that a

woman can be given freedom in matters that are permissible and necessary within the limits of the Shari'ah and not in those matters where there are already plenty of people and all matters are being performed well.

### **Right to Citizenship:**

Under this agreement women also have the right to citizenship and the CEDAW says that with the marriage of the woman, her nationality should not change with her husband, and that women can also transfer their citizenship to their children if they wish. The ninth article of the CEDAW in this regard is as follows:

"Girls and women were right, they were nationality and they were good. Women's Nationality must note changed automatically just beaks she got married, or because her husband changed his nationality. Women can pass on their nationality to their children, the same as men. <sup>21</sup>"

Women also have the right to hold citizenship and change it if they want. A woman's citizenship does not change just because she is married or because her husband has changed his citizenship. Men's women also have the right to transfer their citizenship to their children.

This part of the agreement is actually applicable in western countries but in our society or developing countries the orders in this regard are still unclear because it has not yet been needed but it also needs proper legislation.

### **Right to Education:**

The recommendations of the CEDAW regarding women's education and its importance are very clear and comprehensive. Its tenth article recommends government from time to time in these words: "Governments Must and Discrimination against Girls and Women in Education. Girls and Women Have Rights to Education just is Boys and Men do Girls and Women's held have access so career guidance and professional training al levels so studies and schools so examinations teaching staff school buildings and equipment and the opportunities were then gate scholarships and grants including his boys and men. Girls and women were right to take part In Sports and Physical Education and to gate the pacific information was so inspired by health

and well-being of families. Governments should Mc Surray girls do not drop out of School. They should also help girls and women who have left school early to return and complete their education.<sup>22</sup>

"Governments must end the racial disparity between girls and women in education.

Women have the same right to education as men. Women should also guide the future profession, study, school, examinations, teaching staff, school building and Equipment has the right to professional training at all levels. At the same time, the right to receive scholarships and aid is the same as men. Women also have the right to participate in sports and physical education and access specific information to ensure health and family well-being. Ensuring that girls are not dropped from school it is the duty of the government. Women who drop out of school at an early age should be brought back to school and help them complete their education.

It is a fact that the development of human beings depends on knowledge. History is to ignore the need and importance of knowledge for women and to make its need special from men, but only those who belong to a particular class of them can get knowledge and women should live a life of ignorance far away from knowledge a fatal attitude and such negative consequences. Islam



has acquired. He has made knowledge obligatory and opened its doors for both men and women but has eliminated all the obstacles and restrictions in this way. Islam paid special attention to the education and training of girls and encouraged it as narrated by Abu Sa'id Khudri that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said:

### "Whoever raises three girls, educates them, marries them and treats them well (even later) has paradise for him.

He used to participate in sports with his wife, Aisha. Sometimes Aisha would win and sometimes she would win and she would joke "This victory is in return for this defeat." 24 Therefore, the education of men as well as women is very important.

In the middle ages just as knowledge spread among men, so it became common among women. Our'an and Hadith among the Companions

I find plenty of knowledgeable women. In the light of the Qur'an and Hadith, it is very difficult and delicate to explain the problems and give fatwas.

It's work but still women were not far behind in this field. In fact the Companions were against the Companions the most prominent of them were Sayyida Aisha, Umm Salama, Umm Atiyah, Safia, Umm Habiba, Asma bint Abu Bakr, Umm Shareef, Fatima bint Qais, etc. <sup>25</sup>

### Facilities for women's health and their right:

There were International convention on women's rights also Rukmends were Elimination of Discrimination in provision of Essential Health-Related Facilities so women. Articles were international treaty States.

"Governments must make sure that girls and women are not discriminated against in health care. Girls and women must get health care on the same terms as boys and men. In particular women have the right to services related to family planning and pregnancy". 26

Governments should also ensure that women are not discriminated against in health. Women should also get health facilities on the same conditions as men. Women in particular have the right to family planning and pregnancy.

Allah has made the man the guardian of the law and has made him the guardian of all the needs of the woman. Therefore the basic duties of a man include providing all the necessities to his dependent women. It is the responsibility of the state in this regard to ensure the supply of treatment at the largest level.

### Right to economic and social life and employment:

In regard thesis article Rickmonds were following:

"Girls and women have the same rights as boys and men in all areas of economic and social life like getting family benefits getting bank loans and taking part in sports and cultural life.<sup>27</sup>"

Women have every right to live in every sphere of their economic and social life such as family scholarships, bank loans, participate in sports and live according to the norms prevalent in cultural life.

The Global Convention on CEDAW gives women the same right as men for employment and says that women have a profession of their choice. Have every right to authority. Women's right to employment pay promotion and on the job training is equal to that of men. The legal provision of the agreement in this regard is:

Women have a right to work just like man. And should bay able to join the profession of choice. Women were mast Hue samay chances to fund work get equal pay, promotions and



training in and have access to healthy and safe working. Conditions women should not be discriminated against because they are married pregnant, just had a child or are looking after children. Women should get the same assistance from the government for retirement unemployment sickness and old age.<sup>28</sup>

Women also have the right to work like men. They have the right to take up the profession of their choice. Women have equal opportunities for employment development and training as well as access to health and safe employment spaces. Women should not be discriminated just because they are married. She is pregnant has children or wants to take care of the baby right now. Women like men should get government assistance in case of retirement unemployment illness and old age.

In this regard the sub-recommendation is completely different from the point of view of Islam because Islam prohibits women from meeting economic needs and in Islam maintenance is the responsibility of the man and the woman has been exempted from this burden. Nevertheless Islam does not forbid women from seeking employment .Bamar can struggle to get employment under compulsion. But Islam did not give economic freedom to women like the West. Islam gives women the right to work in economic rights with sharia limits and Sharia recognizes this right of women rights:

#### Women in rural areas

Women in rural areas face more mental and cognitive retardation than in urban areas, the CEDAW recommends to governments representing women in rural areas:

"Governments must do something about the problems of girls and women who live in rural aryans and help them look after and contribution to these families and Communities.

Girls and women in rural Aryans mast boy Supported to take part in your benefit from rural Development Health, Care, Loans, Education and Prosperity living conditions just like boys and men do. Rural girls and women have a right to set up their own groups and associations.<sup>29</sup> Governments should pay special attention to the issues of women who are from rural areas and help them take care of their families and society and contribute to their well-being .Participation in the development of rural areas and enjoying their fruits, health, obtaining loans, education and proper housing facilities should also support them like men. Women in rural areas should also have the right to form their own groups and organisations.

Women in rural areas have more facilities and facilities than women in urban areas in this regard it is the responsibility of governments to ensure that women and girls in rural areas are proper and appropriate .Arrange care, but it would be very welcome if rural programs for women's health were started. So that instead of shifting women to the city in emergency situations they should be treated in these rural centers. This will minimize the expenditure and rush of people at urban health centers. In this regard the elected democratic governments should adopt the recommendations presented in the conference as much as possible but a sub-committee should also be formed.

#### **Legal status of women's rights:**

This International Convention on the Rights of Women recommends that women be equal to men in the eyes of the law.

Girls and Women and boys and men and men are equal before the La Inclusive Laos about Freedom to go where the Chuse Chusing where to live signing contracts and buying and selling properties. Women have the same legal capacity as men.<sup>30</sup>



Girls and women and men are all equal in the eyes of the law. They are free to move anywhere, live anywhere sign contracts and buy and sell property. Women like men have legal space in all of them.

Islam defines men and women as equals. The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said:

#### "Indeed, women are equal to men."

The argument from the above hadith is from the word shaqiq. In Arabic shaqiqah refers to two equal parts torn from the middle of something. In the above tradition under the same meaning a woman has been called a man's shaqiqa this woman in Islam .Status is the correct interpretation. According to Islam, both men and women are two equal components of a total half of which is female and half is male. In this sense it would be true that the woman was given the title of half humanity go in fact women have been described as an important pillar of society in Sharia Islam. Thus Allah says:

## "And women have the same rights as men have over them"

Islam has given all kinds of basic and personal rights to men and women equally. By making the woman free from all kinds of duties and obligations like a man, he declared the woman to be half the society. As if in the light of Islamic law, we can say the CEDAW's demand for women's rights that women be given the same rights as men is consistent with Islamic teachings.

#### Issues related to marriage and family life:

CEDAW gives women the right to marry and live their family life the way they want. The 16th article says:

"Women were the rights of this man to chrse wham the marriage, number of children and want to have and to ker for them whein and are born. Woman also hue was the equal right the property was the owner and the gate with hessand weil and are Marriage. So and Child Marriage, Government's Must set a west age for marriage and mac sure this is followed. All marriages must be registered officially recorded with the government<sup>33</sup>

Like men women have the right to marry whomever they want, have as many children as they want and take care of them after birth women also in a man's property after marriage .Have equal rights to prevent early marriage the government must set a minimum age of marriage and ensure that it is followed. All marriages should be registered (officially recorded

It is narrated from Abu Hurairah that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said:

"A widow should not be married off without consultation, nor should she be married without permission. The Companions asked O Messenger of Allah! How will this be allowed? He said that he should remain silent"

Similarly, the story of Khunsa bint Khudam (ra) narrates:

"Her father married her off to a man whom she disliked against her will, so she came to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)



On the basis of these hadiths it can be said that even in Sharia Islam the girl (whether she is Bakra or Thiba) has been given the right to have the right of husband for herself. Her father or any relative was not given the authority to marry her against her will compel.

This agreement also emphasizes the determination of the minimum age of marriage although there is no definite age limit for marriage in Sharia Islam there are general indications of guiding us towards a serious decision about age. As Allah says in the Qur'an:

وَ ابْتَلُوا الْيَتَامَىٰ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا بَلَغُوا النِّكَاحَ فَإِنْ آنَسْتُمْ مِّنُّهُمْ رُشْدًا فَادْفَعُوا إِلَيْم أَمْوَالَهُمْ وَلَا تَأْكُلُوهَا إِسْرَ افًا وَبِدَارًا أَن يَكْبَرُوا عَ

## "And keep an eye on the condition of the orphans and try them (what is the state of their understanding?) until they reach the age of marriage."

Then, if they have the ability, hand over their wealth to them, and do not eat their wealth quickly by spending extravagantly, thinking that they will demand when they grow up.

Biologically with wives who have not yet matured physically medical disorders can cause and pose a risk to both mother and child if pregnancy is declared. It is better that girls are not married below the legally prescribed age.

### **Summary Discussion:**

Man's journey begins with the union of man and woman. This has led to the spread of generations and the evolution of knowledge and art industry and culture and civilization. The nature of the union of man and woman is not that certain characteristics or cultural needs .Because of this they are engaged in living with each other and working together rather their relationship is the appearance of the natural attraction and emotion that forces them to stay connected. That's why they move towards each other without any external motivation even though their interests are different and their work. The circles are different. In the West ancient ignorance threw the woman into the pit of inferiority. In the modern west many efforts have been made globally to get women out of this decline. The Global Women's Rights Treaty (CEDAW) is one of these efforts it's hard.

CEDAW is a very important document on women's rights which consists of a total of 30 articles. Articles 1 to 16 recommend measures that any government should take for women should be done to eliminate discrimination. In addition these Articles also identify specific jurisdictions where discrimination such as laws against women, marriage, education, health and CEDAW It calls for the fundamental rights of women. The ratification of the agreement by nearly 200 countries and governments shows that it is vital to efforts for women globally.

Among the first of the women's rights recommended by the CEDAW is to take measures to ensure that women get all fundamental rights and personal freedom. Taking steps in all economic and cultural fields should play a role in ending the stereotypes against women with men, especially when men are perceived as better than women. It is the duty of governments to take steps to stop the sale and prostitution of women and to make new laws for women's rights. Women should also vote and get elected to government posts.

They have equal rights. Governments should end racial disparities in education and give women the same right to education as men. The women of every region have full rights to live their economic and social life according to the prevailing principles.

This international agreement gives women the same right to employment as men and says that women have every right to take up the profession of their choice. Women's right to employment pay promotion and on-the-job training are also Men's is equal. Governments should pay special attention to the issues of women who are from rural areas.



You should be helped to take care of the family and society and contribute to their wellbeing. In the eyes of the law, women should have equality with men, and women should be given the right to marry and live family life as they wish.

If this universal agreement of women's rights is studied carefully, then it is seen that Islam removed women from the limited scope of different ideas and concepts and fourteen and a half hundred years ago as a human being ranked. Apart from Islam all other civilizations especially the West which today wants to take credit for women's freedom, dignity and status in society and tries to accuse The Islamic Shariah that Islam is in women's rights .There is a barrier although it is not so, but Western society has always sabotaged women's rights and kept women under their control and subjugation.

This is the reason that different cultures and nations of the world made hundreds of laws for women, but it is a miracle of value that women did not get any appreciation for their rights except Islam.

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