

FEMALE FOETICIDE – “Death before Birth”

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Abstract

Female foeticide has become one of the most heart rending issue these days. Female are being considered as a burden in the society and they are being killed before they come in existence i.e. being killed inside the womb of the mother. There arise a question what wrong that child has done that she got killed inside the womb only and how give right to the one killing to kill.

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INTRODUCTION

Foeticide in other word feticide is an act that cause death of the female child inside the womb of the mother/cause the death of the fetus. People use to do kill girl child because they do not afford sex detection test so they opted for this option. It is one of the inhuman option for discarding female child. People of many region of our country specifically Punjab, Haryana are highly involve in this practice. This is amongst the most heinous crimes that the ongoing towards woman.[1]

FACTORS CAUSING FEMALE FOETICIDE

There are various factors that are causing female foeticide happens are as follows:

1) ECONOMIC FACTORS

Economic factor is one of the major factor for causing female feticide. The dowry system is considered as a one of the reason for this specific heinous crime. In our country India female is considered as a burden if the family because at the time of her marriage the dowry is given to her in law that is being considered as a burden on many parent plus they cannot afford that too. There are around 35000 brides are committing suicide every year reason behind is the dowry. They are married and they do not escape from it and they are being tortured on daily basis and because of these economic reasons females are not desired.[2]

‘Oh, God I beg of you,
I touch your feet time and again
Next birth don’t give me a daughter
Give me a hell instead.....’

2) SOCIAL AND RITUAL FACTORS

In our Indian Culture female are under brutalities of the male man in all the form either it be physical torture or it be mental torture they are always under this. Every parents is always worried about the cause that is mentioned above. The ritual ceremonies are also specific for the male only like in a funeral ceremony of the parent, the presence of the son is mandate but not the presence of the girl is mandate. They have their mindset that in their old age the son will going to take care of them. On this orthodox thinking they are relying since ages and discarding female child one after another. [3]

3) TECHNOLOGICAL FACTOR

With the advancement of the technology the technology for the detection of the sex of the child also increase which are cost effective too. There are ultrasound machines etc. comes up which is easy to do and operate and many more technology like this which increase this practice.

CONCLUSION

This heinous crime is getting expanded in every region of our country India which is because of the ineffective implementation of all the laws that are being made by the legislation that has skewed up the gender ratio. There should some strict law should be implemented so that a female infants will breath the air of the earth and they are not been killed before their birth.

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