

***Major Outcomes of Women's Unveiling: A Comparative Study  
of United States and Saudi Arabian Societies***

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**Abstract**

*It is probed by comparison of US and Saudi Arabian (SA) societies through UN announced data that wherever, in any society, social norms and customs allow its inhabitants to show off their semi-naked/naked bodies, in the name of attraction or beauty, extend free mixing of both sexes, and along with it if there are no defined implemented rules by its governing bodies and institutions regarding full body covering clothes, the appetite of lust urges and gets out of control. Ultimately, greed for sexual relations result in sexual harassment, sexual assaults, rape, physical weaknesses. Consequently, all of these create mental disorder, sheer psychological & physical diseases, child upbringing without family protection, wed locks, death of family strength, domestic violence, child neglect, increased anxiety and use of cosmetics.*

*Key Terms: Unveiling-Outcomes, Comparison between US and SA societies.*

**Literature Review**

History of humanity testifies that Iranians, Judaists and Hindu had veil practices in their societies before Islam. Their laws of veil were very severing. On the other hand, there was no veil practice in Arabs before Islam. Veil practice began in Arabs due to Islam. Especially in East, Veil is known as a feature of female costume from antiquity, where it

was worn primarily to conceal their features. In modern times, it is worn to enhance the face in non-Islamic communities.

Most Saudi women use a headscarf along with the niqaab or another simple veil to cover all or most of the face when in public, as do most foreign Muslim women (i.e., those from other Arab states, South Asia, Indonesia, or European converts to Islam). Most non-Muslim women use no headscarf or no head covering at all as a symbol of female costume.

As such, a ban on Islamic clothing is considered presumptively invalid by U.S. socio-political commentators such as Mona Charen (2010) of National Review. In his prominent June 2009 speech to the Muslim World in Cairo, President Barack Obama called on the West "to avoid dictating what clothes a Muslim women should wear", and he elaborated that such rules involve "hostility" towards Muslims in "the pretense of liberalism".<sup>1</sup>

Veil has a vast meaning, socially, religiously and historically, covering of body from head to toe. Veiling term has been used in almost all languages of the world. But, a huge alarming wave of non-veiling has been observed all over the world. Here are some questions, which need to be explored in this article:

- Are communities facing any negative outcomes due to non-veiling social system?
- What are the consequences of women unveiling?
- Is rape the basic cause of non-veiling?
- Is flood of illegitimate births also an ending outcome of unveiling women?
- Is huge usage of cosmetics produced by non-veiling atmosphere?
- Does non-veiling push a society towards domestic violence?
- Does unveiling result in family breakage conditions among those communities?

Nature filled man and women with an endless power of attraction for each other. Attraction increases when its causes are observed. When we observe an innocent, chaste person talking kindly, behaving gently, equipped with beautiful and graceful dresses, we fell head over heels. Furthermore, when we observe someone attired in a short dress, a wave of lust possesses strong hold.

In criminal law, Albert & Bergess (2009) defined that "Rape is an assault by a person involving sexual intercourse with another person

without that person's consent”<sup>2</sup>. Barlow David H. (2001) explained that rape victims indulge themselves in these severe diseases;

- “Depersonalization or dissociation
- Difficulty remembering important parts of the assault
- Reliving the assault through repeated thoughts, memories, or nightmares
- Avoidance of things, places, thoughts, and/or feelings
- Avoidance of social life or place of rape”<sup>3</sup>

The rape statistics presented by different departments of United States: According to Johnson & Sacco, (1995) United States Department of Justice Document Criminal Victimization, “there were overall 191,670 victims of rape or sexual assault reported in 2005”.<sup>4</sup>

According to The daily Washington Post, (2007) “From 2000-2005, 59% of rapes was not reported to law enforcement.”<sup>5</sup> Survey depicted that one factor relating to this is misconception that strangers committed most rapes.

Jeffrey L., (2006) Director, United States Department of Justice, compiles statistics on crime by race, but only between and among people categorized as black or white. “There were 194,270 white and 17,920 black victims of rape or sexual assault reported in 2006.”<sup>6</sup>

There is an alarming situation about rape causalities in the modern and civilized society of United States. The statistics affirm that generally, white women are being victim in a large number, which indicates that white women are more attractive and without covering their bodies in veil, there is more lustful atmosphere for sexual advancements.

The rape statistics presented by the United Nations Organization:

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, (2000) presented a detailed comparative data regarding rape ration among different countries of the world, among them, the two under discussion are as under;<sup>7</sup>

Rankin World Countries	Ratio of Rape Cases Per 1,000 People	
# 9	United States: 0.301318	per one thousand people
# 65	Saudi Arabia: 0.00329321	per one thousand people

According to these statistics, United States is at No.9, where people are not observing veil system or any specific constitution for mixing up sexes and dress code. Saudi Arabia is at No.65 where almost all women observe veil system in public and it has constitutional articles for mixing up sexes and dress code. This data shows that veil-observing people are comparatively far from the rape disaster.

Now, is flood of illegitimate births also an ending outcome of unveiling women? In those countries, which have not adopted the veil system, encouraged revealing clothes and mixing of genders, illegitimate births are common. In those societies, women choose their bed partners daily. One partner enjoys sexually for one date or one week or maximum of a year. In this situation, how can it be decided that the baby is the result of such a night. On the other hand, who takes responsibility of the child's upbringing because he was just the flavor for a night and the very next night he is the guest of another woman. Therefore, illegitimate births and the after effects of illegitimate births are frantically increasing and becoming uncontrollable.

In April 2009, the National Center for Health Statistics announced, Ravitz (2009), "nearly unwed mothers delivered 40 percent of babies born in the United States in 2007. The 1.7 million out-of-wedlock births, out of 4.3 million total births, represented a more than 25 percent jump from five years earlier."<sup>8</sup>

In several countries, including Bulgaria, France, Scotland and Wales, Slovenia, and all of Scandinavia except for Denmark, more than half of the births in 2007 were extra-marital. In other countries, such as Czech Statistical Office (2010) reported, "Austria, Czech Republic, the Netherlands, Denmark, and parts of England, more than half of first births were illegitimate."<sup>9</sup> Justia (2009) pointed out, "Despite the decreasing legal relevance of illegitimacy, an important exception may be found in the nationality laws of many countries"<sup>10</sup> particularly in cases where the child's connection to the country lies only through the father.

In Europe, besides the low levels of fertility rates and the delay of motherhood, another factor that now characterizes, European Commission Euro stated (2010) is "fertility is the growing percentage of live births outside marriage." And again it is reported, "National non-wedlock figures in Europe range from 5% in Greece and 9% in Cyprus to 58% in Estonia and 64% in Iceland. In the USA, a marriage takes place after the first baby has arrived."<sup>11</sup>

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (2000) presented another detailed comparative data regarding Child Birth Rate Without Wedlock, as under;<sup>12</sup>

**Statistics Regarding Child Birth without Wedlock by UNO**

Rank in World	Countries	Number of Children born without wedlock
# 2	United States	1,210,880
# 56	Saudi Arabia	42

Non-paternity is a term in genetic genealogy and clinical genetics to describe the case where the, Macintyre & Sooman (1991) “biological father of a child is someone other than who is presumed to be.”<sup>13</sup>

In all of these circumstances, how can it be determined that the sperm of the baby is from the person of such activity. After getting enjoyment of sex, no man takes responsibility of a child because he is also pry of non-assurance of sperm indulging. Women having sexual enjoyment try abortion and in some cases if abortion deems unsuccessful or there are health risks, she minds to get an experience of childbirth. So the curse of non-paternity arises. What are its after effects except huge destruction?

The rate of non-paternity is commonly quoted to be around 10% in non-veiling system adopting countries. King & Jobling (2009) explained, “Most at risk of parental discrepancy were those born to younger parents, to unmarried couples and those of lower socio-economic status, or from certain cultural groups.”<sup>14</sup>

The rates value varies according to the population studied by Schacht & Gershowitz (1963) as under’

“United States: A study in Michigan of 1417 white and 523 black children found non-paternity rates of 1.4% and 10.1% respectively.”<sup>15</sup>

Non-paternity is considered as a curse in veil adopting countries like Saudi Arabia and of course, the ratio of non-paternity in these countries is very less than those countries, which does not adopt veiling.

**US, where the veil system is vanished, is at worst condition with a figure of 1,210,880. Saudi Arabia, where veil system is adopting in**

**very good condition, is comparatively at very low stage with only 42 cases of illegal births.**

Is huge usage of cosmetics produced by non-veiling atmosphere?

Today, in such societies where a person does not use full body covering and the non-veiling attitude, community members watch one's body, the person has to use cosmetics to maintain and even enhance the charm and attraction of his/her body. By and by the usage of cosmetics increases and soon, costs an arm and a leg. On the other hand, scientific techniques of cosmetic producing companies bind their customers to use their products regularly. Therefore, after some time, those companies have captured a huge budget unwontedly.

Of huge importance is this that "manufacturing of cosmetics is currently dominated by a small number of multinational corporations that originated in the early 20th century" <sup>16</sup> (Reed, 2007), but distribution and sale of cosmetics is spread among a wide range of different businesses.

Cosmetics cover a large number of items than human beings use to eat for their survival. Rao (1998) calculated and gathered all spheres as;

"Lipstick, lip-gloss, lip liner, lip plumper, lip balm, lip conditioner, lip primer, and lip boosters, Foundation, usually a liquid, cream, or powder, Powder, used to set the foundation and to conceal small flaws or blemishes, Rouge, blush or blusher, cheek coloring; this comes in powder, cream, and liquid forms, Bronzer, Mascara is used to darken, lengthen, and thicken the eyelashes, Eyelid glue, eyeliner, eye shadow, eye shimmer, and glitter eye pencils as well as different color pencils used to color and emphasize the eyelids, Eyebrow pencils, creams, waxes, gels and powders are used to color and define the eyebrows, Nail polish, used to color the fingernails and toenails." <sup>17</sup>

People spend more time and money in lue of cosmetics than eating in USA.

The total Size of U.S. Market for Cosmetics and Beauty Products industry is \$3,775,000 in 2007, \$ 4,000,000 in 2008 and \$3,750,000 in 2009. In addition, this graph presents the details of employees, Total Revenue, companies, and size of firm as \$4,000,000 in 2007, \$ 3,850,000 in 2008 and \$3,700,000 in 2009. <sup>18</sup>

The above three-year forecast utilizes Advanced Econometric Techniques (AET) that takes into account both short-term and long-

term industry trends increase continuously until it will be double in 2014 than 2009.

This analysis by the USA Census Department in June 2010 shows that usage of cosmetics is increasing shockingly. Cosmetics are being used by each person for only some hours and need reapplication for the next use. This huge budget and usage time of the nation can be saved and utilized in productive aspects if persons use veil system and full body covering clothes. So the nakedness atmosphere plays a vital role for heavy usage of cosmetics and spoiling of worthy budgets.

Does Non-Veiling push a society towards Domestic Violence?

Markowitz (2000) defined, "Domestic Violence, also known as domestic abuse, spousal abuse or Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)." <sup>19</sup>

Domestic violence is the start result of wearing revealing dresses in public and non-implementation of in-house veiling system. When husband or wife uses lustful dresses in public, someone shall, first day, praise his/her body, second day, stare or touch the body and gradually the close relation and enchanting talks will start. Ultimately the fondness grows roots. This likeness of husband or wife for another person gradually changes behaviour of the husband/wife. Gradually, the defects of his/her partner will start bearing notice. After some time, husband/wife likes the outer person and dislike his/her partner. If the complete social system is on this course, the love and likeness for partners finishes very early. And as a result, domestic violence begins.

Johnson (1995) said that all forms of domestic abuse i.e. "denial, isolation, blame, dominance, intimidation and humiliation have one purpose" <sup>20</sup>, to gain and maintain control over the victim so that he/she can fulfill his/her desires.

This stress becomes social stress when a person watches hundreds of other person enchanting and lulling with bare dresses and sexual attraction but he/she can't succeed to get enjoyment with all of these bodies. UNFPA (2010) expanded, "This stress with other such problems in a family may further increase tensions." <sup>21</sup>

Dr. Martin (2010), Department of Psychology, California State University researched, "women are as physically aggressive, or more aggressive, than men in their relationships with their spouses or male partners." <sup>22</sup>

Women creates more causes for domestic violence due to their aggressive psyche. They use exposing dresses, fish for male attention. Therefore, they are more aggressive and temperamental.

Does unveiling result in family breakage conditions among such communities? Every person wants love and loyalty from his/her partner. Family system is the biggest element for the development of every society. Family correlation and harmony brings the core positive aspects i.e. love and affectionate atmosphere, attitude to sacrifice for others, righteous upbringing of children, beauty in social life and a continuous phrase for next generation in society. But when male or female of a family uses improper attire and exhibits his/her body in public to get attention of others, situation turns problematic.

Furthermore, if society does not apply in-house veil system and allows the free mixing of the male and female of a family and exercise sexual enjoyment from any person of the society whom he/she wants then there is no condition that the male or female remains loyal with their spouse and maintain their tie for their family. They will be habitual to use nakedness or lustful tactics to pry their target for sexual attachment and will not give attention to their family. So the family system will be disintegrated and consequently bring about the demise of love, affectionate behaviours, sacrifices, child upbringing and strength of the family ties. Divorces, family clashes, illegal births, mental disorders and crimes rate will eventually become high.

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