

Sex slaves normal part of Islam culture

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Human rights groups report that thousands of women have been raped by Syrian army soldiers in the ongoing war, which is now in its third year and has left 130,000 dead.

That trend appears likely to only increase.

Qur'an commentator Maulana Bulandshahri explains that the justification for this is rooted in (Qur'an 4:3), an "allowance of sexual slavery: During Jihad (religious war), many men and women become war captives. The Amirul Mu'minin [leader of the believers] has the choice of distributing them amongst the Mujahidin [warriors of jihad], in which event they will become the property of these Mujahidin. This enslavement is the penalty for disbelief (kufr)".

There is no disagreement on this practice among Islamic scholars. The prisoners and spoils of war are distributed among the fighters, which includes men, women, children, wealth, and so on.

However, Bulandshahri complained that because of treaties, "Muslims have been denied a great boon whereby every home could have had a sex slave."

Female Kuwaiti activist and politician Salwa al-Mutairi also spoke out in favour of the Islamic practice of sexual slavery of non-Muslim women.

A merchant told her that when a local sex slave market is erected, "When I want a sex slave, I just go to the market and choose the woman I like and purchase her."

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