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TOPIC - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN CORONA

Every day I read the newspaper and go through its numerous informative articles, in which some are of daily routine lifestyles, some are of distinct brutal crimes, chiefly rapes, corona, and etcetera. However, the predominant general issue that is gaining my attention and is highlighting nowadays is that the rates of domestic violence in our country are surging exponentially. Domestic Violence could be verbally, physically, sexually, and moreover, emotionally, and financially. There are an enormous number of reasons which begets this problem. Firstly, males are bursting out their frustrations of losing jobs or getting half-salaries on their wives. Secondly, they have to be at home 24/7 which causes them isolation and mental sickness. My question is Why? Is this way of relieving anger should be accepted in our society? The simple and clear answer is a big "NO". And the worst thing is that it doesn't stop here. Yes, there are many more weird scenarios that happen beyond that. If the victims try to save themselves by raising a voice or by stopping their husbands, it could escalate into rapes, assaults, and even murders. Keeping patience and morals in mind, women prefer to remain quiet and try to convince themselves that someday it would stop. Consequently, it sparks off a sense of helplessness, makes women emotionally and mentally devastated, and often prefer to attempt suicide. So now the question arises here is that what the government is doing in order to harness or halt this issue? I have read that some of the possible solutions taken by the "National Commission For Women" are - launching of a helpline number for the safety of women where they can make quick calls 24/7 to register complaints from homes, one WhatsApp group where they could send messages describing the details of their issues and mails too. But is this enough? Is it proving to be virtual? Is it guaranteed? Of course not. Well. in my opinion, I think this is just giving a false sense of

hope and false remedies to all the victims in our country because even though if they register complaints via these mediums, its results are nowhere to be seen today. And what about those who are unfamiliar with using gadgets? Where would they go? They cannot trust the police who are busy patrolling and monitoring the lockdown violators nowadays. This makes victims acknowledge the harassment and assaults that have been happening to them for since long. I believe, It is just because of the past mistakes of the government and the police, where they have highly neglected this issue, otherwise, this would not have happened or be happening and to happen in the future. But still, I would say, there is a ray of hope, still, the government should intervene and take some necessary stringent actions against the abusers or assaulters such as keeping long-term prisons with a high money penalty, setting up women help centers in all the districts and commencing family seminars every week to guide and educate people about the issue, and especially by building distinct police stations only for women where only women could register complaints so that no victim would be ignored and lastly, they should take weekly surveys from each and every house of our country. If this could be followed, time is not far when women would start feeling their existence and importance in their world, after all, they are mothers, daughters, sisters, wives, and remember no man can replace their positions. **“SO STOP THIS BRUTALITY AND WAKE UP”**.