



## When Elephants Fight, It is the Grass that Suffers

## News:

GENEVA (22 September 2022) – UN experts today strongly condemned the death of 22-year-old Mahsa Amini, who died in police custody after her arrest for allegedly failing to comply with Iran's strict rules on women's dress by wearing an "improper hijab". (Source: <u>ohchr.org</u>)

## Comment:

Iran is facing some of its worst unrest in years as protests erupt over the death of a 22-year-old woman in the custody of the state's morality police. The death of Masha Amini in Police custody, is another hole in the tattered image depicted of Islam and Shariah by the West. Considering this weak image that keeps collapsing and crushing Muslims physically, psychologically and spiritually as if Islamic is a sign of ignorance. According to an estimate there are 1.9 billion Muslims in the world and there are almost 50 countries with Muslim-majority populations. Many of these countries claim to have Islam as their State religion and all of them accept each other as Muslim states while practicing a man-defined version of Islam.

Incidents like this are much highlighted by the West and portrayed as a direct result of Islamic rules, even though the same or worse has happened to Muslim women in western countries but in those cases the only thing that can be linked to Islam is victim's religion. To fight back this slander, the oppressed have to intellectually rise above the level of the oppressor and disown the fabricated version of Islamic systems. The irony is that the accused and the victim both claim to be from the same faith and are behaving accordingly according to their own claims. This shows that there is a *third belief* both of them practice and that is the belief of "might is right" or "I will do it, if I can". Both parties believed in *domination of man's free will,* and the stronger party got away with it. The same is the case of Islamic rule in Iran where Marxism, nationalism and liberalism all played important roles in the 1979 revolution. Yet it was later branded "Islamic" with such insistence that this eventually became its sole adjective.

A Muslim believes in the Supremacy of Allah (swt) and in submission and absolute obedience to Him. He has not been given the right to pick and choose from the given commands or suggest from his or her own *aql*. This demanded submission is not possible without implementing Islamic Systems in their purest forms, and in the current situation working for the establishment of the State that will take care of the affairs of its people and also of the people who dare to malign the name of Islam. Allah (swt)'s rules apply to both genders, but in diverse ways. The confusion was created by the human mind and exploited by the ones who could benefit from it, thus *identical* replaced *equal*. Decline and destruction of the Islamic State had put everyone in survival mode. Scattered Muslims became insecure, and suggestions and advice that was not from Islam started to seep in.

Women felt deprived and mistreated and saw Western women fight for their basic rights, and the social environment put gave them this option to fight for something they never fought for before. They were respected and well taken care of and even in case of any injustice had judges to approach knowing that and fight for equality delayed and diverted women from the cause and the West is using every possible opportunity to keep them diverted.

The solution lies under the shade of Khilafah (Caliphate), where justice is divine and is not just for punishments but also for protections. Islam protects women in such a dignified way that even if there is an issue like this she will have the man whom Aallah made responsible for her standing in front of her and will be questioned for any possible cause from insanity to ignorance.

Never ever in the history of Islamic rule its justice system has tortured or abused a woman to make her follow the rules. This torture and abuse has been and still is a style of non-believers. From Hazrat Sumayyah to our dear sister Aafia Siddiqui, whenever they got their claws on women, they suffered. Now is the time to stand up, take the ground and refuse to be fooled. Allah (swt) is الْمُقْسِطُ Al-Muqsit (The Just One) and has given us a complete plan of execution, that starts with the establishment of an Islamic State and before that efforts for its establishment. Until then people will remain like the grass that suffers when elephants fight.

﴿وَأَنَّ هَذَا صِرَاطِي مُسْتَقِيمًا فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَلا تَتَّبِعُوا السُّبُلَ فَتَقَرَّقَ بِكُمْ عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ ذَلِكُمْ وَصَّاكُمْ بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴾

"And, [moreover], this is My path, which is straight, so follow it; and do not follow [other] ways, for you will be separated from His way. This has He instructed you that you may become righteous" [Al-An'am: 153]

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