## **ABSTRACT**

HONOR KILLING: A CONTEMPORARY ISSUE IN LAW WORLD

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Hundreds, if not thousands, of women are murdered by their families each year in the name of family "honor". The crimes which seek to place within the context of culture or society most commonly known as culture crime. Honor killing is a type of cultural crime present in the country. An honor killing (also called a customary killing) is the murder of a (typically female) family or clan member by one or more fellow (mostly male) family members, in which the perpetrators (and potentially the wider community) believe the victim to have brought dishonor upon the family, clan, or community. The aim of the present essay is two-fold. Firstly we intend to describe that what actually an 'honour killing' means and what are the reasons behind its occurrence. And we will also discuss about the position of International Law over 'Honour Killing'. And secondly, we will be going to discuss that what are the various laws that are present instantly in the country against the 'honour killing'.

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