

Analysis on the Growing Rate of Dowry Death in India

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Abstract: *In India dowry refers to a property or any valuable security that is given or agreed to be given by one party within a marriage to another party. In India, the part who agreed to give dowry is mainly the parents of a girl to the groom's family. Taking dowry is itself a crime and prohibited as per the "Dowry Provisions act 1961". However, as per this research, it has been found that the act, which is imposed in this country for the prohibition of dowry, was failed due to various limitations within it. Dowry death is a major social issue, where a bride commits suicide or being killed by their husbands due to their intolerable demand and abusive behavior. The main aim of this research is to analyze the current state of the dowry system in India and determine the effectiveness of existing legislation in preventing dowry death.*

Dowry death has always been a big issue in our Indian society since years. The unexpected death of new married couple due to dowry has become the news of our everyday life. Protecting young married women from abusement, physical torcher, harassment and cruelty are the responsibility of the government to keep them safe. Laws have been made for such crime in India. Ban on giving and taking dowry - the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, is the most commonly used law since its commenced all over the country. The Section 304B (Dowry deaths) and 498 - A (Cruelty by husband or in-laws) were registered in the Indian Penal code in the mid 1980's. The Educational status of females has been improved and the society wants to get educated with dowry awareness programs along with severe punishments which will be helpful to deal with the crime made socially crime

This research paper has attempted to examine and evaluate legal provisions that have been adapted and adopted by the Indian Legal System in order to reduce the annoyance of Dowry Deaths, to identify loopholes, and to improve the legal system and society in general, as well as to highlight available remedies and how to further augment such remedies to benefit the genuinely aggrieved party.

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