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Silent Scream of the Children: Unearthing the Psychic Trauma in Alice Walker's *Colour Purple*

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Abstract

This research paper sheds light on the role and portrayal of male domination in literature across various borders and spectrums. "The Color Purple" represents the very bottom structure of society. It underpins common themes that serve as catalysts in literature, highlighting the sufferings of women and the dominance of male characters. Set against the backdrop of male domination, this article also mentions that women are subjected to torture in the name of coercion. It suggests that this type of coercion often comes from those whom they trust the most. In this story, Celie is brutally sexually abused by her father. When a girl child is subjected to such abuse by the very person she should be able to trust, she becomes traumatized and struggles to overcome it. This paper also reveals the repressed state of women and their resilience in the face of physical and psychological challenges. It discusses how they endure physical and mental suffering as a result of sexual harassment.

Keywords: Male Dominance, Sexual Harassment, Women Safety, Child Abuse, Domestic Violence, Brutally Rape

In India, people worship Sati, Savitri, Durga, Laxmi and other goddesses but the real women never feel Safe here. Every day in the newspaper and television we come to know about a new case of violence, rape and assault on women, the cases have rapidly been increasing as women are stepping out of their homes Just to explore themselves in this world. There are different tools used by Men to dominate women, for instance, Sexual harassment, rape, domestic violence etc. The major problem is rape. It is Sinister and has no limits it does not differentiate between 10 month child and a 50 year old lady various measures can be taken to dislike ensure women's safety. Such as, the government needs to implement a hard-core law and ensure exemplary Punishment to the criminal's Fast track Courts must be served to assure Justice to the victim quickly. These steps will set a great example for all men and they will never to attempt such crimes against women Also, men must be educated to respect women from childhood.

The problem of crime against women is a global issue one of the three women around the world experiences physical or serial violence in her lifetime the violence against women is defined as domestic violence which include physical sexual and mental abuse by her husband or any other adult male member of the society and Rape. Murder abduction kidnapping cases are holed out of cases

is criminal violence against women. The majority of violence acts are motivated by unspoken retaliation, dowry problems and forced prostitution.

The strengthening of patriarchal values is also a major cause of violence against women. Patriarchy is a system where men have all the power and women are subordinate to them; this often leads to men feeling that they have the right to control and abuse women. Retaliation, dowry problems and forced prostitution. The strengthening of patriarchal values is also a major cause of violence against women. Patriarchy is a system where men have all the power and women are subordinate to them; this often leads to men feeling that they have the right to control and abuse women. Violence against women can affect anyone of any caste, religion, creed or race.

A thing that can happen against the society and it can happen to women is that the father corrupts his own children through sexual harassment. After the independence of India in this independent country, many women are fighting for their freedom. This story is a story full of male domination and racism. The main character in our story is a black woman. She lives with her father and mother in a city called Georgia. If they come, their father will come and abuse them. From the beginning of this matter, his father has been warning him that he should not tell anyone about this, but he is threatening to tell God, but not to tell your mother under any circumstances. So Ceeli communicates everything that can happen in her life to God through letter and the whole first part of the story works like this. So basically it's an epistolary novel. In this community, no matter how much we try not to discriminate on the basis of caste, religion, race, language; it still persists in some places. That's how this story is completely based on something called racism. It is one of the greatest evils of this community to cast them aside as she belongs to the black people, and to lead them alone.

The sad thing about this story is that Ceeli is sexually abused by her father from a young age and she is so childish that she cannot even know that it is wrong. Ceeli is suffering mentally and physically as she is unable to tell anyone about this and is suffering a lot because she is unable to know what happened to her. Thus, in many places in this community, these kinds of disorders are going on and it is very questionable what kind of life is going to be for such children later.

In this way, the mentality of children who are sexually molested by their fathers makes any person afraid to trust them later. Out of hundreds of them, only one percent of women progress through self-reliance. The main character of this story, Ceeli, married a man Mr.----. She married a man named He. He also did not establish a true and loving relationship with Ceeli. This woman could face only two types of disappointments in her life. Even in her married life, her life was not happy and satisfactory. Thus the dominance of men in the life of women stands. For example, Ceeli is subjected to various forms of torture.

There are many types of crimes that come under the category of violence against Ceeli; some are given below.

1. Child abuse.
2. Honour killing
3. Domestic violence.
4. Brutally rape.
5. Sexual assault.

Child Abuse

*"Child abuse the bruises will heal
But the scars will last a lifetime"*

That the child and the goddess are one is the claim of the deities we worship. Such a child is savaged by some men who do not regard the child as a child. They abuse the child for their lust and squeeze this flower called child.

We also live in such a corrupt country. The best relationship in relationships is the relationship of mother and father. No matter who wants to harm us, even for a second, the parents cannot think of any harm to themselves. In such a relationship, the father sexually abuses his child. In the story I have taken, this situation also happens to the girl named Ceeli.

Honor Killing

*"There is no SIN greater than killing...
A female in the name of Honor....
Even god did not permit" (Khaled Hishma)*

In the midst of parents who praise and nurture their child with desire and fulfill their needs, raise them safely and put all their expectations on their children, and have a big dream, women who want another man and express them to their parents and break all their expectations, unknowingly end up in verbal arguments and become angry with their Parents.

Parents are much more arrogant than their children, thinking that their child is doing this to grow up for so long, and so that the honor of their family does not go out, the people in the village do not speak less of the child that they raised for so long, they are pushed to the point of honor killing. It is very unfortunate that this is happening to a large number of girls.

Domestic Violence

*"Domestic violence is an epidemic,
And yet me don't address it
Until it happens to celebrities"..... Nelson Ellis*

These are a type of patriarchy, basic, mental, torture, economic; if we are not given our needs or sexual, if we use it, these are called Domestic violence is an epidemic domestic violence. These are a type of violence that is done to a woman by a man or by her husband's relatives. There are many laws for these. Punishments are also present in our country but these are still not completely curbed.

Brutally Rape

*Touching a girl without her consent
Doesn't make you a man
It makes you a coward.....*

A doctor was raped and murdered in Kolkata in one of the worst sexual atrocities that shook the country. I am not only saying these things but many such female nurses, IT workers, and defenceless women are also subjected to this kind of torture. Women's safety is now a question mark. I am of the view that women can protect themselves from this kind of brutality only if laws and punishments are increased.

Sexual Assault

*Never abuse others for fun
Who knows?
You may be abused by others in future...*

Sexual assault is touching a person without their consent and causing sexual assault. Sexual harassment, which often happens in our country, is an act of coercion without consent. A form of sexual assault is when a husband touches his wife without permission and forces her to do something wrong. In this article, the protagonist ceeli also has no happiness or peace in his married life through mr _____. I am sad to say that there are more corruptions happening in our country like what happened to ceeli in this story.

Conclusion

Violence against women is a serious issue and it need to be addressed immediately There are many steps that can be taken to address this issue such as increase awareness, providing support. There are many ways to address this issue, such as raising awareness, supporting victims, creating helplines and safe spaces, and implementing laws to support women's rights. Violence against women is not only a women's issue, but a human issue. We must ensure that all women in our society are treated with dignity and respect.

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