



## **A Systematic Appraisal of Prevalence of Domestic Violence against Women in India**

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### **ABSTRACT**

*Violence against women particularly domestic violence is an obstacle to the achievement of the objectives of equality, equity, justice, development and peace. The worst result of domestic violence is the loss of life. It is also a serious social issue and a “shameful” violation of human rights. The World Health Organization (WHO) and member countries have acknowledged violence against women not only a social issue but also a serious public health issue. Domestic violence occurs when one person in an intimate relationship or marriage tries to dominate and control the other person. The impact of domestic violence on personal life of the victims adversely affects their physical and mental health. India has been a victim of this form of crime since very long. The reports released by National Crime Records Bureau of India have show increasing inclination in domestic violence cases against women in India which is a serious concern. Keeping the above stated statement in forefront this research paper highlights various types of domestic violence. At the same time examines and investigates various causes that perpetuate various forms of violence against women in India. After making extensive review of various sources the present study reveals that intensity of domestic violence against women in India is increasing day by day. Finally it is important to make drastic measures that could resist the extent of this reprehensible crime in Indian society. This paper provides some of the suggestions and remedies that could resist this crime from further expansion.*

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