

Exploring the Global Impact of Homosexuality: A Comprehensive Analysis from Islamic Perspective

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Abstract:

No one can deny the fact that apart from food and drink, human beings also have sexual desires and the satisfaction of carnal desires is natural for human beings. Like the rest of the physical needs, the sexual pleasure has been regulated through the institution of marriage which is the basic unit of an Islamic society. There has always been illicit/unnatural means to fulfill this physical need such as homosexuality – an unnatural method that may lead to the spread of many diseases. Ironically it has been given a legal accreditation in many countries of Europe, America and in other parts of the world. The article reviews the social impact of homosexuality in any given society with the rise in the rate of crime and diseases in these countries.

Keywords: *Homosexuality, causes, effects, international phenomenon.*

Introduction:

The Islamic laws that Allah has set for man's worldly life answer all the spiritual and physical needs of mankind. Amongst these, the institution of marriage is of prime importance forming a social unit of society while satisfying carnal desires. This relationship sustains human race biologically. The laws of marriage are prevalent in every nation and every civilization and it is a proven fact that when whenever man has turned away from the natural or divine laws, it has always led to disaster.

Some of the so-called pseudo-intellectuals hold since man is born free, he should have complete freedom in satisfying his sexual desires in any given way. Thus homosexuality is being legitimized. It was legalized in many countries with the consequence that many kinds of problems have emerged in these countries, which are mentioned below.

Literature Review:

The practice of homosexuality is not a modern notion but has prevailed since ancient times. Quran mentions the people of Lot (A.S.) to have indulged in this and were thus punished for doing so. Many contemporary scholars have also worked on it from different perspectives as for instance, Maulana Muhammad Zafiruddin Sahib Pura Nao Dehavi wrote a book under the title of "Chastity and Immaculate Conception of Islam" (published in May, 1970) under the supervision of *Nidwat al-Musannayfeen, Delhi* ; Allama Muhammad Anas Bandilawi's book "*The Terrible Face of the West, Homosexuality and Sexual Indecency*", (published in June 2022 under the auspices of *Dar Al-Baraka Llanshar Taba'at, Karachi*) and Hafiz Abu Bakr Muhammad bin Hussain Ajri wrote *The scourge of Evil*)published in 2016 under the auspices of *Ashrafia Aslak Foundation, Hyderabad Deccan*. On 16-08-2022, under the title of *A Ruling on homosexuality*, Darul Ifta Ahl-e-Sunnat issued a fatwa in which the explanation of homosexuality, the origin of this practice, its rational and medical evils, its Shariah ruling and the practice The ruling about the person who considers it permissible has been explained.

Abdul Sattar Minhajin wrote a book titled "Successful Life (Questions of Neo-Puberty)" which was published in February 2023 under the supervision of Books Palace Publishers.

Although this topic has been worked on from many angles, but in this article, we have described the history of homosexuality in different areas, its causes, its medical, psychological and social harms and Islamic point of view about homosexuality.

Research Methodology:

In this article the theory of homosexuality is explained in detail, its growing trend and its reasons are described which can clarify the reasons for the spread of this practice and its prevention. Moreover, an attempt has been made to describe the various medical, social and psychological effects of homosexuality. In the last debate Islamic perspective on homosexuality has also been described so that the religious orders can be clarified.

In this article authentic dictionaries have been used to understand the subject and all terms related to it in the research paper. The history of homosexuality has been explained in the light of Holy Quran, other authentic books, and authentic websites. Furthermore, various surveys and reports have been taken to describe the trends and harms of homosexuality. All references in the article are in accordance with the seventeenth edition of the Chicago Manual of Style and are given in the form of footnotes.

Introduction to Homosexuality:

Homosexuality is sexual interest in and attraction to members of one's own sex. The term **gay** is frequently used as a synonym for homosexual; female homosexuality is often referred to as lesbianism.¹

At different times and in different cultures, homosexual behavior has been variously approved of, tolerated, punished, and banned. Homosexuality was not uncommon in ancient Greece and Rome, and the relationship between adult and adolescent males in particular have become a chief focus of Western classicists in recent years. Judeo-Christian as well as Muslim cultures have generally perceived homosexual behavior as sinful. Many Jewish and Christian leaders, however, have gone to great lengths to make clear that it is the acts and not the individuals or even their "inclination" or "orientation" that their faiths proscribe. Others—from factions within mainstream Protestantism to organizations of Reform rabbis—have advocated, on theological as well as social grounds, the full acceptance of homosexuals and their relationships. The topic has threatened to cause outright schisms in some denominations.²

Lut (A.S)'s Nation and Homosexuality:

Homosexuality is not a modern idea; its history is very old. This evil was first started by the people of Lot (Peace be upon him). Lot (peace be upon him) was sent to the people of Sodom and the people of Sodom used to

mix with boys instead of women to fulfill their sensual desires. There was absolutely no practice of this practice in the nations of the world until that time. This is the wretched people who invented this impure and unnatural act and the name of this act is known as Sodom (fornication). Instead of allaying it to Hazrat Lot (Peace be Upon Him) it should be referred to as Sodom.

Sayyid Abul Ala Maududi writes about the people of Lut (peace be upon him):

This nation lived in the area that is now called East Jordan (Trans Jordan) and is located between Iraq and Palestine. The Bible mentions the name of the capital of this nation as "Sodom" which was either located somewhere near the Dead Sea or is now submerged in the Dead Sea. It is written in the Talmud that apart from Sodom, they had four other big cities and the area between these cities was so lush that for miles there was only one garden, the beauty of which made a person feel intoxicated. But today the name and sign of this nation has completely disappeared from the world and it is not even determined where exactly its settlements were located. Now only the Dead Sea remains as its monument which is still called the Sea of Lut (peace be upon him).³

About the beginning of this evil in the people of Lot, Peace be upon him, Syed Ahmad Hasan Muhaddith Dehlavi is as follows:

"The devil deceived the people of Lut (peace be upon him) that the people who came from other villages, if they misbehave with the young boys, then the foreigners will never come to your villages. Do not be deceived by the devil and become a beautiful boy. By teaching them to do the same, they did the same. And then that habit got stuck in them."⁴

Allama Tabari writes about Lot (peace be upon him) and his people:

Allah Almighty sent Lot (peace be upon him) to Sodom. These people were disobedient to Allah and committed sins. In the Holy Quran, it is mentioned about them as follows:

And 'remember' when Lot scolded 'the men of' his people, 'saying,'
"Do you commit a shameful deed that no man has ever done before?
You lust after men instead of women! You are certainly transgressors."⁵

It was narrated from Ibn Zayd that when a traveler passed there, these people would rob him and then misbehave with him."⁶

Allama Tabari writes about the fate of the people of Lot (peace be upon him):

Lot (A.S) used to call them to the worship of Allah Ta'ala and forbade them from doing bad deeds and warned them of painful punishment for these actions. But the warning of Lot (A.S) did not have any effect on them, rather, their rebellion and misguidance increased. And they said, O Lot, (A.S) " If you are truthful, then bring the punishment of Allah upon us"⁷

Tired of their reaction, Lot (peace be upon him) prayed to Allah to help him against the rebellion and disobedience of the people.

Allah accepted his prayer and decided to kill them, so He sent two angels with Jibreel (A.S.). Both came in the form of handsome men (boys whose warts are not yet wet). It has been narrated from some companions that Allah sent two angels in the form of handsome boys to destroy the people of Lut.

These angels were the first guests of Ibrahim (Peace be upon him). These angels informed Hazrat Ibrahim (A.S.) that they have come to punish the people of Lot (A.S.). Then these angels went towards Sodom, the settlement of Lot (Peace be upon him).

"It was narrated from Hazrat Huzafa that the angels came to Lot and he was working in his land. These angels were told not to destroy this settlement until Lot testifies. So the angels reached there and said to Lot, "We want to be your guest for one night.

Lot (peace be upon him) took them and went to his house. After going a little distance, they said, "Do you know what the people of this town are doing?" By Allah, I do not know of a nation more wicked than them on the whole earth. Then take them and proceed. These things were going on when Lot's house came. When Lot's wife saw these young men, she went to tell the people of the village and told the people that such handsome (boys) had come to Lot's house. I have never seen such a handsome boy. It is said that the whole assembly rushed towards the house of Lot (Peace be upon him).

It was narrated from Abu Jaafar that when these people arrived, Lot (peace be upon him) said to them: Fear Allah and do not embarrass me in the matter of my guests. These are my (nation's) daughters, if you wish; I will marry them to you because they are purer for you. The people of the nation said, "We did not forbid you that you cannot entertain men as guests, and you also know that we have not taken anything from your (nation's) daughters." When they did not accept the offer of Lot (peace be upon him), Lot (peace be upon him) said, "Oh, I wish I had the power to straighten you out or a strong support to take refuge in it."

When the heart of Lot (Peace be upon him) began to panic in this situation, the angels told the real truth and said, "O Lot (peace be upon him)! We are the angels of your Lord. These people can never reach you. Get out of here and let none of you look back, except your wife. The calamity that is going to befall this nation will also befall her (Lot's wife). When Lot came to know that the guests were angels of Allah in reality and they have come to destroy the people, so they were told to destroy them now.

It was narrated from Hazrat Saeed (RA) that the angels went to Lot (Alaihis Salam) after Ibrahim (Alaihis Salam) and what happened there, Gabriel (Alaihis Salaam) said to Lot (Alaihis Salaam) "We are

going to destroy this town because these people are cruel. ". Lot (peace be upon him) said, "Kill them now."

Gabriel (peace be upon him) said, "The time of morning is fixed for their death, and is the time of morning some distance away?" Do not look, except the wife of Lot, for she will surely look back. So they went, and when the appointed time of punishment came, Gabriel lifted the earth with his wings and took it to the sky until the people of heaven heard the crowing of roosters and the voices of dogs and then they turned it upside down and rained stones from above. When the wife of Lot (Peace be upon him) saw this scene of destruction, she turned back and said, "O my people! A stone hit her and she collapsed there."⁸

From the above-mentioned incident, it may be said that owing to the evil and disaster of this act alone, the people of Lot (peace be upon him) were punished so severely that their settlement was taken to the sky and was not only turned over, but upon them. Stones were thrown. However lately, people have adopted this practice again and have devoted regular efforts to promote it. Following is a brief history of homosexuality in different countries:

According to Stephen and Roscoe:

The first record of a possible same-sex couple in history is usually attributed to an ancient Egyptian male couple "Khnum Hotep" and "Nain Khakhnum" who lived around 2400 BC. The couple is depicted in a nose-kissing pose, one of the most singular styles in Egyptian art. People are seen surrounding who are probably their heirs. Anthropologists Stephen Murray and Will Roscoe have described that women in Lesotho have been engaged in a socially sanctioned long-term sexual relationship called motswale.⁹

Looking at these historical evidences, it can be said that the idea of homosexuality is not modern, but very ancient which is evident from the Qur'an and is backed by the he research of the present age. There is no denying that the trend of homosexuality was present in the nations before Christ.

The Evolution of Same-Sex Relationships in America:

A common form of homosexuality among Native Americans prior to European colonization is centered on the Two-Spirit individual. Usually such a person was recognized early in life and parents allowed such a child to choose his own path. He continued to learn what he had chosen. Homosexuals and transsexuals were also common in pre-conquest Latin America, among other civilizations such as the Aztecs, Maya, Quechua, Moshes, Zapotec and Tapanamba of Brazil.¹⁰

The Spanish conquistadors were horrified to see Sodomism rampant among the natives and tried to stamp it out in the Spanish law under the category of eunuchs (bardaches: the Spanish called them). , which included punishments such as public execution, burning, and being torn to pieces by dogs. ¹¹

In 1986, the United States Supreme Court ruled in *Bowers v. Hardwick* that any state could criminalize sodomy. In the year 2003, the court overturned this decision.¹²

In 1998, the state of Hawaii passed a constitutional amendment against same-sex marriage.¹³ In 2013, a ruling by the state attorney general on this amendment allowed the government to legalize same-sex marriage.¹⁴

The historical context of homosexuality in East Asia:

References to same-sex love in East Asia date back to the earliest recorded history. Homosexuality in China was known from the passion of the cut peach and many other such tender creations that are recorded from around 600 BC. Homosexuality is mentioned in many famous works of Chinese literature. The classic novel *Dream of the Red Chamber* describes examples of same-sex love and sexual relationships that seem as common to modern-day observers as heterosexual romances.

Confucianism, being primarily a social and political philosophy, focuses less on sexuality, whether homosexual or heterosexual.¹⁵

Ming's Imperial literature, such as the *Ban Er-Chai*, describes homosexual relationships between men as more enjoyable and more "harmonious" than heterosexual relationships by the end of the 3rd century AD.¹⁶

Opposition to homosexuality in China dates back to the Tang Dynasty (618-907) in the Middle Ages, which was attributed to the growing influence of Christianity and Islam, but remained fully established until the westernization efforts of the late Qun Dynasty and the Republic of China couldn't be.¹⁷

The Evolution of Homosexuality in Europe:

Western documents on male homosexuality paint a picture of a world in which relationship with women and relationship with youth were an integral part of a typical man's love life. Same-sex relationships were a social institution that prevailed over time and from city to city. A sexual but limited relationship between two free young men was valued for its educational benefits and as a means of population control, although it was sometimes blamed for disorder. Plato extols the benefits of these relationships in his early writings but recommends their prohibition in his later works.¹⁸

Little is known about the homosexuality of women in antiquity. Sappho was born on the island of Lesbos and the last of the Greeks included her in the religious list of neo-lyric poets. The attributes derived from her name and place of birth (Sapphic and Lesbian) were applied to female homosexuality in the early nineteenth century.¹⁹

Sappho's poetry was the center of love and affection of different characters and both genres. The narrators of his poems speak of love and madness (sometimes requited, sometimes not) for many women, but the details of the physical actions between women are few and far between. In ancient Rome the young man's body was the focus of male sexual attention, but

relationships were between older free men and slaves or free youth who played the role of sexual object. The Hellenophile emperor, Hadrian is famous for his relationship with Antaeus but the Christian emperor Theodosius I, on 6 August 390, issued a decree condemning adulterers to be burned at the stake. Justinian also condemns active complicity towards the end of his reign (in 558) and warns that such warnings could lead cities to destruction through the 'wrath of God'. Despite these regulations, taxes on the availability of boys in brothels for gay sex continued to be collected until the end of Anastasius I's reign (in 518 AD).²⁰

The New Movement in Europe:

During the Renaissance, the wealthy cities of northern Italy, especially Florence and Venice, were known for their widespread practice of same-sex love, with a large proportion of the male population, following the pattern of classical Greece and Rome. But even when much of the male population engaged in same-sex relationships, the authorities harassed, fined and imprisoned a good portion of the population under the auspices of night court officers. From the second half of the thirteenth century, homosexuality was punishable by death in most of Europe. The relationships of socially famous figures such as King James I and the Duke of Buckingham served to highlight the issue.²¹

The Contemporary Landscape of LGBTQ and acceptance across various nations:

From the history of homosexuality, it is known that in every age this practice has existed amongst nations and regions and that the perpetrators of this practice have faced severe punishments but despite this- the evil has not completely disappeared. . A large number of people suffer from this evil these days regular efforts are being made for its promotion at the national level. The developed countries of the world are also actively involved in its promotion. In this context, the current situation of some countries is being reviewed below.

The Current State of LGBTQ+ in USA:

The United States is one of the most developed countries of today. It may be called the leader of Western countries in innovation, it would not be wrong. The American society has been against homosexuality for a long time.

As mentioned earlier, homosexuality was considered a punishable crime in the states of America until 2003, but since then, this epidemic has rapidly engulfed the American society. Until recently, a bill named "Respect for Marriage Act" was passed in the United States to protect the rights of same-sex couples and give them the legal right to marry, which is summarized as follows:

"This bill provides statutory authority for same-sex and interracial marriages.

Specifically, the bill repeals and replaces provisions that define, for purposes of federal law, marriage as a contract between a man and a

woman and spouse as a person of the opposite sex with provisions that recognize any marriage that is valid under state law."²²

After the approval of this bill, not only the marriages of people belonging to different states and different races have been legally recognized, but gay marriages have also been recognized as legitimate and provide legal protection to them. Therefore now homosexuals living in the United States have the freedom to legally marry each other. By this process, the US has not only given the current generation open permission to adopt an evil but has also put the moral future of the next generation at stake. After passing of this bill, many countries have criticized the United States, Saudi Arabia being the leading one, and since this criticism, the relationship between the United States and Saudi Arabia has apparently soured.

Israel's Position on Same-Sex Relationships:

Israel is one of the small but very important countries in terms of region, because Jews have increased their influence on the world economy in modern times, and almost all major institutions have Jews in high positions. The establishment of Israel was apparently done in the name of religion because after the massacre of the Jews by Hitler in Germany, the Jews demanded that they wanted a country where they could live freely according to their religion. In this sense, it was expected from the Jews that they would necessarily adopt the teachings of their religion and live according to the teachings. Since homosexuality is forbidden in the Jewish religion, it was necessary for the Jews to keep their country free from this evil. However for a very short period of time, the epidemic of homosexuality had spread to Israel. However, currently the situation is that Israel is considered the safest and friendliest country for gays in Asia and the Middle East. Tel Aviv has also been named the Gay Capital of the Middle East and Tel Aviv holds an annual pride parade in support of homosexuality.²³

Current State of Homosexuality in Eastern Countries:

Many governments in the Middle East ignore homosexuality and deny its existence or criminalize the practice. Homosexuality is illegal in almost all Muslim countries. In many Muslim countries, such as Saudi Arabia, Iran, Mauritania, Northern Nigeria, Sudan and Yemen, homosexuality is officially punishable by death. In 2007, during his speech at Columbia University, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad claimed that there are no gay people in Iran, but this may be because such people are afraid of government opposition or rejection by their families. Sexuality is a mystery.²⁴

Evolution of Homosexuality in India:

India has been the bearer of moral and social traditions in the subcontinent since ancient times. This country is inhabited by people of different nations and religions who have different types of traditions, but these traditions have never been related to homosexuality. The laws of

this country and the people of this country have always opposed homosexuality, but during the last few decades or so this epidemic has reached India and quite recently a large number of people has been affected by this evil. In India, where homosexuality faced public opposition, attempts were also made to give it legal protection, and finally the time came when the five judges of the Supreme Court of India declared this crime of shame to humanity. A constitution bench declared it legal and gave it legal protection and gave open permission to do this practice. The details of the decision of the Supreme Court of India are as follow:

According to the BBC's Shakeel Akhtar in Delhi:

A five-member jury headed by Chief Justice Dipak Mishra said in its landmark judgment on homosexuality that 'consensual sex between two adults of the same sex is not an offence'. Under the provisions of Section 377 sex between a man and a man or between a woman and a woman was criminalized, which violated an individual's fundamental rights to freedom of expression. Under this British-era law, sex between two people of the same gender was a crime and was punishable by up to ten years in prison. Although this section was rarely used for punishment, it was often used to harass homosexuals. Homosexuals and human rights organizations expressed great joy on this decision. The religious leaders of the country are against homosexuality. A large number of people in the society also do not accept same-sex relationships and consider them unnatural.²⁵

The epidemic of homosexuality has reached not only the eastern countries but especially the sub-continent through the western countries. India has recently legalized homosexuality, which has been described in detail, while efforts are being made in Pakistan to publicize and legalize this atrocity.

Contemporary state of LGBTQ+ in Pakistan:

In the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, not only a large number of people are involved in this evil but now efforts are being made in a systematic manner to promote this process. In 2018, an event was organized by the US Embassy in Islamabad, the capital of Pakistan wherein homosexuals from all over the country were invited.²⁶ Apart from this, various ceremonies are now regularly organized to welcome the people involved in this evil so that this evil has a full opportunity to flourish in Pakistan. Efforts are made to promote homosexuality in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. As for instance,

An eminent religious scholar, Allama Muhammad Anas Bandilavi, writes in his recently published book "The Terrible Face of the West, Homosexuality and Sexual Immorality":

"American diplomats in Pakistan are promoting homosexuality. Richard Hoagland, US Embassy's Chargé d'Affaires and Senior Diplomat, is leading the way in uniting Pakistani homosexuals.

Not long ago (June 26, 2011), a gathering of homosexuals was held in the American embassy with the support and cooperation of the American

organization "Gay and Lesbian Foreign Affairs Agency", in which many Pakistani homosexuals, in addition to American homosexuals, participated. At this gathering, American diplomats assured Pakistani homosexuals that they would not leave them alone under any circumstances."²⁷

In this gathering held in 2011 Fawzia Kasuri from the Kasuri family (famous for its close friendship with Beaconhouse School and US Ambassador Cameron Minter not only participated but is the soul of this gathering.

"His sympathy for homosexuals did not stop here, but in the following year, in July 2012, Fauzia Kasuri, following in the footsteps of her masters organized a music and dance program on the twenty-seventh night of Ramadan at the main branch of Beacon House School, Islamabad and then gave clear evidence of their shamelessness by shouting out homosexuals."²⁸

To protect the rights of transgenders, the Transgender Persons Protection of Rights Act was passed in 2018, in which the definition of transgender is noteworthy. According to this Act:

A transgender person shall have a right to be recognized as per his or her self-perceived gender identity, as such, in accordance with the provisions of this Act.²⁹

According to this act, any person can request to change his gender based on his feelings, for example, if a man feels that he is feminine then he can request to change his gender from male to female. It may mean that he will remain a man, but in Nadra his gender will be changed to woman and then the same man will be eligible to marry another man as a woman. And thus homosexuals will have legal protection. The same is the case with women who can change their gender under this act.

According to Allama Muhammad Anas Bandilavi:

"Since the passage of the Transgender Persons Protection of Rights Act in 2018 to protect the rights of transgender people, there has been a surge in gender reassignment applications. In the last three years, the National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) has received 28,723 (twenty-eight thousand seven hundred and thirty) applications for gender reassignment in its records.

"Of these, the most 16530 (sixteen thousand five hundred and thirty) applications were for conversion from male to female and 15154 (fifteen thousand one hundred and four) applications were received for conversion from female to male. Likewise 9 applications were received from male to transgender. (Nine) applications were received while no application was received from a woman to become a transgender. However, 21 (twenty one) applications for transgender to become a man and 9 (nine) applications for transgender to become a woman were submitted."³⁰

Recently (March 27, 2022), the news circulated that a gay event was organized in the well-known Institute of Business Administration (IBA) of the University of Karachi, in semi-naked clothes. Dancing and revelry took place and then (the infamous sexist) Dr. Moez spoke on the promotion of homosexuality, in which he paid tribute to the ladies and gentlemen who are spreading the work."³¹

In the light of the above mentioned facts, it is very clear that evil of homosexuality has spread its claws in the Pakistani society and a large number of Pakistanis are involved in this evil. Continuous efforts are being made to promote it, hence before the situation gets out of control. The authorities and all the educational institutions have to take appropriate strategic steps in this regard and make such legislations that may help to curb this evil. It can be prevented from spreading further in Pakistani society.

The ideology of homosexuality is religiously, morally and medically harmful. This action is not only a slur upon entire humanity but has also made them worse than animals in society. Moreover, it has also taken the responsibility of destroying human health and the people involved in this evil suffer from various diseases but despite of all this, it is spreading fast in the world. Their number is increasing day by day, so it is necessary to clarify the harms of homosexuality and inform the public so that they may protect themselves from this evil. The main disadvantages of homosexuality are as below:

1. It is Sinful Act

While describing the history of homosexuality, we have briefly mentioned the incident of the people of Lot (Peace be upon him) and this one incident is enough to illustrate the greatest harm of homosexuality. People who adopt this practice will be severely punished by Allah on the Day of Resurrection but people of this ideology think that they are worldly safe which is not the case.

Like the previous nations the people of the Prophet ﷺ also demanded punishment, so Allah Almighty said in response:

"But Allah would never punish them while you, O Prophet were in their midst. Nor would He ever punish them if they prayed for forgiveness."³²

In the commentary of this verse, Allama Taqi Usmani writes:

It means that these people deserved to be punished because of their disbelief and polytheism, but Allah did not punish them for two reasons. One due to the presence of Holy Prophet ﷺ Allah does not send punishment on any nation. The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) was sent as a mercy to the world, so with his blessing, the general punishment will not come upon this Ummah. Another reason could be that many Muslims keep asking for forgiveness.

2. Misogyny:

The nature of a homosexual person changes and his sexual orientation turns towards men instead of women due to which he starts hating women.

3. Sin of Genocide:

Allah Almighty has created spouses as a perfect match to answer each other's needs. Deviation from this rule traps mankind into sinful life.

4. Deprivation of sexual satisfaction:

Homosexuals tend to gravitate towards people of their own sex which is unnatural. Hence anxiety and other psychological problems result. Hence the natural desire is not fulfilled through this lustful act.³³

5. Nervous weakness:

Homosexuals also suffer from neurological weakness. They lose weight and become weak. Overall their health deteriorates and they suffer from fatigue³⁴

6. Memory Weakness:

Homosexuality affects the mind of people and results in memory loss. 7.

Domestic Violence:

Incidents of violence amongst the homosexual couples are high as their sexual desire remains unfulfilled. In 2004, The Gay and Lesbian Medical Association launched a \$50,000 project called the "LGBT Relationship Violence Project" to educate medical professionals about the high rates of domestic violence among same-sex couples.³⁵

Marianne Balin, Blue Shield of California Foundation's anti-violence program manager, said:

"The Blue Shield of California Foundation recognizes that domestic violence has received little attention in the case of homosexuals."³⁶

It means that gay violence is so high that it doesn't get the attention it deserves, and then fifty thousand dollars is spent on just one campaign to bring it to the attention of medical professionals. So that medical professionals pay attention to the mental state of homosexuals and may work for their improvement.

8. Drug use:

As homosexuals suffer from anxiety, they use drugs to reduce their mental restlessness which gives them temporary peace of mind but damage. Due to which these people have to face various medical problems.

The CDC conducted a survey on various trends in youth from 2001 to 2009 and published its report on June 6, 2011, which states:

"Gay students had higher rates in seven of ten health risk categories, including tobacco use, alcohol use, other drug use, behaviors that contribute to violence, behaviors that contribute to sexual exploitation, weight Cases like escalation and attempted suicide were included."³⁷

Homosexuality in Islamic Context:

Islam condemns homosexuality and holds it a punishable crime. If examined in the light of Islamic teachings, this act is even more heinous than adultery and its punishment is also strictly described in the hadiths

of the Prophet (peace be upon him) and the sayings of the Companions. The Prophet ﷺ said: "What I fear most about my nation is the action of the people of Lut."³⁸

In another hadith it is said: "Cursed is he who does the deeds of the people of Lut."³⁹

In short, The Prophet ﷺ has cursed the perpetrators of this act in his hadiths, He (PBUH) did express this fear for his Ummah and the modern age has proved that he was absolutely correct. Societies in the East and the West are no longer safe and this evil practice is increasingly found in the Muslim society as well. Earlier this practice was done in secret but now efforts are being made to legalize and America is promoting this epidemic in our country.

Conclusion

History is a witness that whenever man has turned away from the laws of nature, he has landed into trouble through a short cut. Many kinds of problems like drug abuse, domestic violence, social stigma, weakness of nerves, weakness of memory and the like are becoming rampant. However, surprisingly, despite of religious and social prohibitions and medical issues, it is being legalized in many parts of the world. Homosexuality is more abominable than adultery, so people with this vice are neither useful to society nor can keep their moral traditions. Moreover such people not only strangle their family life but also face humiliation. It is an evil which needs to be curbed from society.



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