

# Review of: "[Commentary] Commentary on Sociocultural Beliefs and Systems Restricting Women's Access to their Marital Property Rights in Pakistan"

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## Review:

The article is well-written and well-researched. Yet, the religious teachings/ideas about women's rights are not well-reported. Women's rights in Islam need to be elaborated in detail.

The abstract is well-articulated. It promises a lot of information. But the article is very brief and does not encompass all the aspects mentioned in the abstract. The author may either revise the abstract according to the discussions in the article or extend the article itself with more details on aspects such as "epistemological role of power", "misogyny and patriarchy" and "the role of cognitive empathy in catalyzing action". These ideas have neither been exemplified nor supported by evidence. For example the author mentions:

*Over the passage of time, this has resulted in a high degree of incongruence between perceived knowledge and actual knowledge vis-à-vis perceived knowledge and behaviour.*

He must elaborate what is meant by "actual knowledge" and what is meant by "perceived knowledge". He must give examples and evidences to support his claims.

Similarly the author mentions misinterpretation of the scripture and selective knowledge from the scripture. He should also educate us further with evidence of such misrepresentation and selective knowledge.

There are numerous instances likes this which need further elaboration and exemplification.

Overall, the article is theoretically sound and well-articulated.