

## **Gender Based Discrimination in Punishments at Schools: A Study of Selected Schools in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan**

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### **Abstract**

This study explores the attitudes of students towards gender based discrimination in punishment at schools in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. A case study of selected districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa was carried out in districts Peshawar and Mardan with the purpose of eliciting the students' perception on violence/punishment. The study intends to find reasons of school violence through its perpetrators, in light of its manifestations on the basis of gender, ethnicity and class, by looking into the methodologies owned by the schools and suggesting policy recommendations. A sample size of 522 respondents was randomly selected on proportional allocation basis from Grade 10 students. Frequency and percentage distribution along with Chi-square test was carried out at uni-variate and bi-variate levels. Through this study five major issues are addressed to clear the image of students' perception of gender based violence/discriminations in punishments at school. These five indicators determining the variable includes students' economic status, sexual orientation, physical appearance, body or beauty or age, nature of school, and personal relationship with authorities or access to power. Results of the study are provided along with conclusions at the end.

**Keywords:** Gender based violence, economic status, sexual orientation, physical appearance, nature of school, access to power

### **1. Introduction**

School, being the major agent of socialization in children, has lifelong effects on their behavior. However, literature as well as evidence supports that unlike parents, the personal assigned the duty of training treat students differently based on personal likes and dislikes and other biases. Resultantly, this may leave deeper impact on the personality development of the children. In this study, punishment is discussed as how gender based discrimination is practiced at schools in execution of punishment at various level. Financial position of students is one of the central factors affecting

not only access to resources at school but also adolescent's propensity to violence or his/her response in case of being victim of violence. Sexual orientation, physical appearance, body contours, beauty or age of students also expose and project them as receiver and/or perpetrators of violence at schools. The frequency and intensity of various forms of violence usually vary between public sector schools and private sector of schools. From the perspective of students, it is important to analyses as to how they view their school as spaces producing and consuming violence through punishments through structures in terms of school-size, number of students, number of teachers, overall response/feedback on study-material and assignments etc.

We tend to assume schools as neutral spaces, devoid of influences from larger social structure. But there exist clear-cut power-relations and power struggles (Dunne, Humphreys & Leach, and 2006:78). The formal and informal rules of conduct (norms) are influenced by and based on gender, ethnic, linguistic, disability, and socio-economic distinctions. These institutional rules give birth to institutional traditions which might not coincide with official and legislative code of conduct in schools but it does lead to the emergence of 'gender regime' (Kessler & McKenna, 1985). Understanding these institutional relations and traditions are central to understanding of children's experiences in schools and improving school environment.

## **2. Literature Review**

Whether taken as an institution in itself or taken as part of the institution of education, a school's environment is characterized by transactions and interaction of students and teachers. It is has been usually believed that students who are in 'good books' of teachers get relaxation both at the time of rewards and punishment. Since teachers have the main say in what goes on in the class-room, students with different access to teachers are likely to perceive class-room and general school environment in different terms. Schools in any society will reflect the outside culture in terms of violence or security, and they are also likely to have reinforcing effects on the outsideculture (Davies, 2004, ;Harber, 2004). However, some schools may be atypical, being less or more violent than would be assumed from looking at rates of violence or criminality in wider society (Astor, Benbenishty, & Estrada, 2009).

If we ask as to how gender influences orientation towards and perpetuation of violence in various social contexts, Parker & Gagnon (1995) suggest that

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researcher(s) should focus on the distribution of power between males and females in specific contexts, i.e., research should aim at understanding how power relations develop and get sustained in specific social and cultural settings (Vance, 1984). Cultural norms and values give birth to specific forms or regimes of gender inequality which could pave way for the establishment and perpetuation of gender based violence (Parker, Barbosa, & Aggleton, 2000). School environment usually give legitimacy to teachers' authority: whether it is regulation or control of students' behavior, teachers determine 'appropriate' behavior for students as gender-differentiated beings.

This is done through a system of reward, punishment, sanctions, time-distribution in class and attention span in class. The gender regime gets established and signified in two ways: firstly, by ignoring certain behavior traits and by punishing other acts. For instance, teacher may establish his/her authority by insisting on certain forms of address ('Sir' or 'Madam') from students for themselves but value no respect for the students in similar cases and, if boys while fight among themselves or intimidate the girls, and the complaint arrives, it usually get dismissed by the teachers declaring it as merely 'teasing' or as 'boys will be boys'. Through such forms of interaction, teachers help in normalizing certain behavior traits of students, but at large symbolically contributing towards gender differentiation and a hierarchy in which males dominate (Jackson & Newman, 2004).

The feminine and masculine identities also get entrenched through the hidden curricula and students' informal learning. For example, girls in many Asian schools are required to do cleaning while boys are required to do digging. Activities such as these are indicators of gender identities and practices within schools. These also reify sex-based relationships between men and women beyond schools. Hence, if gender based violence are learned and practices in schools, it would definitely be practiced in larger society. Physical masculinity is expressed through forms of violence which does two things: firstly, self-regulation is ensured when a boy abides by the modality of masculinity and secondly, it is also strategy to exhibit one's power. This exhibition of power occurs both formally and informally, e.g., separate queues for boys and girls and/or appointment of males as class representatives. Usually one of the organizing principles of school is compulsory heterosexuality. Through it the mapping of polarized positions occurs. This also helps in configuring gender and sexuality, e.g., by criticizing, ridiculing, and ostracizing homosexual relations (Epstein & Johnson, 1998). For compulsory heterosexuality coupled with age/authority

relationship between teachers and students strengthen and interact with gender/sexual regime.

Besides teacher-student interaction, peer-pressure is also a means for gender/sexual regulation in schools, especially with respect to constructing and perpetuating masculinity in schools (Skelton & Francis, 2005). Bypassing one's gender role could be corrected with punishment, i.e., ridicule, ostracism, intimidation, verbal abuse etc. (Kehily & Swann, 2003; Renold, 2002) For instance, across many cultures a girl who is outgoing, assertive and confident is usually referred to as promiscuous, which according to Bhana (2005) is a violent expression of masculinity. Similarly, if a girl rejects sexual advances, especially from teachers, she is harassed and humiliated. Sometimes, for girls, the only alternative to avoid physical punishment is to concede to sexual intercourse (Human Rights Watch, 2001). Some scholars use the terms hegemonic masculinity and emphasized femininity to describe the way media does gender (Connell, 1987) "Hegemonic masculinity today is a matter of the subordination of women, authority, aggression, and technical competence. Emphasized femininity is subordinate to and defined by hegemonic masculinity. [It is] organized around themes of dependence, sexual receptivity, and motherhood" (Cavender, Bond-Maupin, & Jurik, 1999). Similarly, masculinity is often characterized as "tough, professional, public, outdoor, and strong, whereas femininity is sensitive, domestic, private, indoor, and weak" (Cuklanz, 2000). Messner (1992) as cited by Finley (2007) explained how boys learn to define their gender identity: "*Indeed, boys learn early that if it is difficult to define masculinity in terms of what it is, it is at least clear what it is not. A boy is not considered a masculine if he is feminine*" (Finley, 2007: 35-36).

Martin (2001: 5) also found that teacher considered boys' sexual harassment of a 'slut' as normal. Moreover, if an incident of sexual harassment is reported, teachers first try to find out as what 'type' of girl has been harassed. Martin (2001) also confirmed the belief that teachers are themselves perpetrators of sexual harassment. In relation to the above, it should also be noted that teachers' differential use of disciplining strategies such as corporal punishment contributes towards reinforcement of gender identities (Antonowicz, 2010) and gender relations between boys and girls (Bisika, Ntata, & Konyani, 2009). Teachers usually justify using corporal punishment with respect to boys under the rationale that it would make them tough (Morrell, 2002). In such an environment it is least unlikely that boys and girls get socialized about their sex-based roles according to the

dictates of larger social structure. In addition to these demographic density and size of school as well as size of classrooms contribute towards violence. Schools often operate as factories where students are treated as products (Harber, 2002: 12). Resultantly, big-sized schools could lead to alienation from school and disconnection from education and drop-outs are high in big-sized schools (developed countries) (Meyer, 2010a, 2010b). It also introduces inadequacy in teachers' and managers' supervision of school environment (Plan, 2008: 39).

In another report titled State of Pakistan's Children (SPARC, 2004) violence by teachers is projected as the major reason for early dropouts. It claimsthat 40% of school going children leaves schools in the first five years of education because of corporal punishment (SPARC, 2004:149). Parental punishment is however not documented in this regard. A newsflash quoted in the same report says "a man killed son for failing in Secondary School Exams" (Daily DAWN, June 14, 2004 cited in SPARC, 2004). Mosque/madrassa and schools are the two places after automobile workshops most documented for violence against youth in Pakistan (SPARC, 2004:152). A more recent research(SPARC, 2009)shows that 89% of children had received some form of corporal punishment in school, rising to a figure of 93% in government schools. This was mainly baton beating or standing with arms raised above the head.

The Government of Pakistan issued a White Paper in 2007 on 'Education Status and Future Policy in Pakistan'. In response to that, various organizations initiated a debate on the new policy. In one such discussion Dr. Pervez A. Hoodbhoy, a well-known Pakistani educationist, is quoted as saying that 'this document was in stark contrast to the earlier education policies, which saw education as a tool for forcibly remaking children's minds...An official document, issued 11 years ago by the same ministry, had required that school be taught to 'make speeches on '*jihad*' (the holy war) and '*shahadat*' (martyrdom); be aware of "India's evil designs against Pakistan"; that they must "demonstrate by actions a belief in the fear of Allah"; go on field trips to "visit Police Stations"; and must "collect pictures of policemen, soldiers and National Guards" (SPARC, 2007: 53). Schools can themselves promote violence through curriculum as well as relationships. There has been an association of madrassa education with violent extremism. An American Policy Report on Education in Pakistan(Yusuf, 2009) claims that dysfunctional public education system has been abandoned by the elite and it serves now only students from the lower socio-economic class.

The argument of associating violent extremism with madrassa education of Pakistan is largely rejected in current research discourse (Looney, 2004; Ladbury & Khan, 2008; Yusuf, 2009) as it contribute not more than 1% of the total student enrollment in the education system of Pakistan and the public and private sector school students have shown comparatively high level of support for violence in comparative researches (Khan, 2008).

In this scenario the existing study is very much important for Pakistan. As found by Plan International (Perezniето et al., 2009), Pakistan is one of those few southern countries which has no specific laws to protect school-aged children from all forms of violence. This may represent different dimensions of school violence, for example, with the use of corporal punishment in school, with different histories of violence and conflicts among peers in school settings, and different sorts of inequalities which might trigger out frustration and violence due to various expected variable to be recorded. There is no study to date carried out in terms of analyzing the institutional structure of schools where violence is produced/experienced and the variation it may have based on nature of school i.e., the separate government schools for girls and boys, and the mostly co-education private schools. The United Nation Development Program (UNDP) through 'Peace and Development Program' intended to have outputs that were aimed towards improving community infrastructure and reducing vulnerability of youth towards extremism. According to the report for the first quarter of the year 2011, the program has helped rehabilitation of schools in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province. However, both locally and globally very few studies exist that have documented various forms of violence in schools (Perezniето et al., 2009).

The above review comprehensively spills over the importance upon the issue at hand with its application to different societies across the globe on the basis of situational perspectives. Pakistan is a developing country where a number of policies are not only framed but also implemented by the government in educational sectors with focus on many dimensions including punishment. Despite all these efforts, the literacy rate is still very low which has led to the consistent existence of ignorance. Keeping into these grim realities a number of NGOs have landed into the arena for the purpose of addressing the issue. The main reason associated to this effect is the enhancement in literacy rate and containment of violence existing in all shapes and manifestations (SAHIL, 2008). To investigate the above mentioned situation, this study is specifically designed to investigate

gender discrimination in punishments at schools in two districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan.

### **3. Research objective**

The main research objective of this study is to assess the extent and nature of gender based discrimination in punishment at schools in selected schools of Mardan and Peshawar districts, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

### **4. Methodology**

This study investigated the gender based discrimination in punishment at school in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. Using a survey design, a sample size of 522 respondents (54.6% boys and 45.4% girls) was randomly selected on proportional allocation basis from Grade 10 students in both public and private schools of the selected districts taking the schools having maximum number of students appeared in Grade 9 exams in a single year (2012). Frequency and percentage distribution was carried out at uni-variate and bi-variate levels. Moreover, chi-square test was used to determine the level of association between variables (both independent and dependent).

### **5. Data Analysis**

The data collected was scrutinized, edited and labeled with codes to make it ready for classification and analysis. A soft data entry sheet was developed with the help of SPSS in a format given in its 16.0 version. The data entry was made through three data entry operators. The entered data was examined through 10% verification by the researcher locating the missing punches or repeat entry or any other human error. Once the data set was ready on all standards, it was put for analysis using statistical parameters namely, associational procedures (univariate and bivariate).

#### **5.1 Univariate and Bivariate analysis**

For all demographic information and analysis of gender based distribution of respondents for their socio-economic standing, univariate analyses were carried out. For this section frequency distribution, percentages of the respondents and chi-square were used to monitor association pattern of these demographic indicators with gender of the respondents. Test of Association (bivariate analyses) were carried out to study the association amongst dependent and independent variables. This type of analyses has

shown the trend of the responses favoring or opposing one or other aspect of the variables under enquiry.

It is assumed that, the themes for each group are randomly and independently selected, the groups are independent, and each observation must qualify for one and only one category (Sprinthall & Fisk, 1990). In addition, the sample size must objectively be large such that no predictable frequency is less than 5, for  $r$  and  $c > 2$ , or  $< 10$  if  $r=c=2$ . However, this supposition was dishonored several times in the data and therefore, Fisher Exact Test (also known as exact chi-square test) was used as an alternative of simple chi-square.

Age group distribution of respondents is given in Table 1. Majority of 53.45% respondents were of 16 years followed by 36.6% students having aged 15 or below at the time of data collection. A reasonable number of students 9.96% were aged 17 and above, among which most (6.13%) were male students.

Distribution of respondents in Public/Private Schools is given in Table 2. The data representation in this study shows that majority of 51.72% respondents were from private schools with remaining 48.27% from Public Sector Schools. Further, out of the total 522 respondents picked up as part of the sample, majority were male representing 145 students (27.78%) and 140 students (26.82%) in Private and Public Schools respectively.

## **6. Analysis of Findings**

The analysis are based on variance in punishment based on four variables namely poverty/economic orientation; nature of School; Sexual Orientation; Physical appearance; and Personal Relationship with Authority (Teacher). Each category is discussed through statistical analysis in the light of related existing literature.

### **6.1 Poverty/Economic Orientation of Students as bias in punishment and gender based violence at Schools**

The results given in table 3 at the end of this paper show a high level of association between poverty and exposure to punishment. The gender based violence is divided into four major categories and each reflect a relation for level of poverty with variance in exposure to gender based violence in punishment received as schools with Physical violence ( $p=0.036$ ); psychological violence ( $p=0.036$ ); and sexual violence ( $p=0.036$ ).

However, the relation could not be established for the variable with economic violence ( $p=0.636$ ).

This information shows the punishments effects more when it is clubbed with other vulnerabilities like gender and poverty. In another research (Akiba et al, 2002) the level of victimization is primarily reported to be based on ignorance with regard to gender. If magnified this could lead to the marginalization and social alienation of students especially among poor and girl students. These findings are in contrast to the functionalists' perspective where punishment has been considered positive for the growth and stability of the society (Graham and Gurr, 1969; and Dubet, 2003).

## **6.2 Nature of School as bias in punishment and gender based violence at Schools**

The association results due to status of school with three out of all the four types of violence under study, i.e., physical, psychological, sexual and economic violence were significant as projected for details in Table 4 given. The statistical values for Physical Violence ( $p=0.036$ ), socio-psychological ( $p=0.036$ ) and sexual violence ( $p=0.036$ ) were significant while economic violence ( $p=0.635$ ) resulted into non-significant in relation to nature of school. The results are based on the assumption that school status does contribute to inflicting punishment in addition to the mechanism prevalent in the system of the schooling. Moreover, structural basis of school with either mode (private or public) has an important effect to displaying any mode of punishment, due to coverage of both public and private schools with all its diversities the results clearly depicts the variation and level of significant relation in results also. It could also be adjudged that variation in violence in schools could be differentiated into various categories if further probing is done in this regard in future studies. This may help us establish reasons to ascertain the non-significant relation of economic violence. Plan International (2009) has reported various forms of violence at few occasions in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Punishment at school is a permanent part of a person's behavior and could continue for a longer period of time (Barker et al., 2011). The main belief of punishment at school is the continuation of socialization amongst children through powerful means of value transmission and reformation in attitude (Omaji, 1992; Jones, 1975; and Griffin, 1978).

### **6.3 Sexual Orientation as bias in punishment and gender based violence at Schools (Table 5)**

The result shows that sexual orientation has no association with punishment given at school as for as physical violence ( $p=0.876$ ), psychological violence ( $p=0.132$ ) and sexual violence ( $p=0.051$ ) are concerned, but has a strong association with economic violence ( $p=0.031$ ). Sanderson (2003) has also spoken about a cultural milieu even in punishing the guilty students at school premises for behavioral reformation. Not different was the perception towards excessive punishment of healthy and stout children than unhealthy children. Morrison and Orlando (2004) were very close to the present findings while concluding it by relating violence to physical terms. However table 8 shows that students believe that punishment at school has nothing to do with gender, physical structure or sexual orientation but according to them, it is given purely based on home work or disciplinary issues.

### **6.4 Personal Relationship with Authority (Teacher) as Bias in Punishment and Gender Based Violence at Schools (Table 6)**

In response to question of discrimination, differential treatment by teachers of students based on being nearer and dearer to them were reported being punished less than other students for same misconduct. The association of this phenomenon with various forms of violence at school shows that the relation of the variable with gender based violence is extremely close as it shows physical violence ( $p=0.022$ ), psychological violence ( $p=0.025$ ), sexual violence ( $p=0.018$ ) and economic violence ( $p=0.035$ ). Equality in terms of provision of punishment was disclosed not to be around, as indicated by Holmes (1989) that the concept of good and bad is obligatory in the phenomena of inflicting punishment. The existence of favoritism in treatment of students who were relatives to teachers as not been punished, could further influence annoyance among others students resulting in creation of violence at and around schools as shown in all four types of violence being significant in this case. It was confirmation to the earlier results wherein punishments were recorded as biased on part of the teachers. Sometime, if division of pupils is detected, it could be unconscious in nature (Cavanagh, 2008).

### **6.5 Physical Appearance of Student as a Source of Bias in Punishment and Gender Based Violence at Schools (Table 7)**

Respondents were asked in this set of questions regarding their opinion if students' physical appearance in terms of beauty, body or tenderness in age has any relation with or influence on the magnitude of punishment they receive at schools. The correlation of the set of responses received with manifestation of the four types of violence under discussion disclosed that a highly significant relation has been established with sexual violence ( $p=0.000$ ), while for physical violence ( $p=0.124$ ), psychological ( $p=0.144$ ) and economic violence ( $p=0.660$ ), the association is not significant. These findings are in confirmation to Kenway and Fitzclearance, (1997) that masculinity and poor physique were some of the differentials highly related with application to violence. It could be due to the mix environment as per demand of situation in variation to its relative applications at school level. However, in general the cultural conformity to ideal norms of maintaining balance and equilibrium were found to be the profound basis for school dynamics.

### **7. Conclusion**

The study was designed with a conceptual framework of independent variable namely discriminations in punishment at school with dependent variable of school related gender based dynamics of exposure to violence. The study disclosed a link of schools based disciplinary punishments, both formal and informal. The concept of punishment and socialization at school having lifelong effects is the most contested issue in violence discourse. Besides learning, the child receives his social role and status here. In order to prepare a future generation to take over the society forward, a child is trained with defined and pre-determined "do's and don'ts" according to the society or prevalent culture. This has remained for centuries the primary task of family institution but in recent past (1860s with introduction of formal schooling) is taken over by Schools. This transition is recent and needs close coordination of both education and families as institutions of social and cultural stability to get the most fruitful output for the society. The social control mechanisms inside school in the forms of sanctions may help to mold and predict child's behavior but at the same time, if family does not remain in loop, may result in the physical, social or psychological suffering of the child. School if single out to deal with students may risk of harm student's personality for the rest of his or her life. The experience of and exposure to punishment differently of students based on their economic

profile create hate and may result into production of a class of criminals at later stage of life instead of conformist citizens. Schools as agency of socialization, based on its public and private status is uneven in delivering its role to various social strata's of society. the poor segment of society have low access of education and are deprived from quality teachings of private schools, they rather are obliged to study in government schools with negligible facilities and intercepted education. Moreover, the environment of violence is at rise in government schools, comparably to private schools. This is in submission to cultural superiority which embodies respect and dignity to either gender even in punishment considerations.

## Annexure

### Data sources

<b>Table 1: Frequency and percentage distribution of respondents on Age</b>			
Gender	Age of Respondents		
	15 and below	16 years	17 and above
Male	99(18.97 %)	154(29.5 %)	32(6.13%)
Female	92(17.6%)	125(23.95%)	20(3.83%)
Total	191(36.6%)	279(53.45%)	52(9.96%)

Chi-Square 1.640 (0.440); Source: Field Data

<b>Table 2: Gender Based Distribution of Respondents in Public/Private Schools</b>			
Gender	Status of School (Government/Private)		
	Private	Public	Total
Male	145(27.78%)	140(26.82%)	285(54.6%)
Female	125(23.95%)	112(21.45%)	237(45.4%)
Total	270(51.72%)	252(48.27%)	522(100%)

Chi-Square 0.0180 (0.725), Source: Field Data

Violence Type	Exposure	Sexual Orientation Influence nature and Magnitude of Violence?			Statistical Test
		Agree	Disagree	Don't Know	
Physical	Never	97 (18.58%)	131 (25.1%)	28 (5.36%)	Chi-Square 6.649 (0.036)
	Exposed	130 (24.9%)	115 (22.03%)	21 (4.02%)	
	Total	227 (43.49%)	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	
Psychological	Never	76 (14.56%)	93 (17.82%)	26 (4.98%)	Chi-Square 6.643 (0.036)
	Exposed	151 (28.93%)	153 (29.31%)	23 (4.41%)	
	Total	227 (43.49%)	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	
Sexual	Never	164 (31.42%)	38 (7.28%)	337 (64.56%)	Chi-Square 6.660 (0.036)
	Exposed	82 (15.71%)	11 (2.11%)	185 (35.44%)	
	Total	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	522 (100%)	
Economic	Never	74 (14.18%)	90 (17.24%)	18 (3.45%)	Chi-Square 0.909 (0.636)
	Exposed	153 (29.31%)	156 (29.89%)	31 (5.94%)	
	Total	227 (43.49%)	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	

Source: Field Data collected for PhD research titled Gender Based Violence in Pakistani Schools.

Violence Type	Exposure	Government School Punish more Physically and Private Schools more through fine			Statistical Test
		Agree	Disagree	Don't Know	
Physical	Never	97 (18.58%)	131 (25.09%)	28 (5.36%)	Chi-Square 6.649 (0.036)
	Exposed	130 (24.90%)	115 (22.03%)	21 (4.02%)	
	Total	227 (43.49%)	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	
Psychological	Never	76 (14.56%)	93 (17.82%)	26 (4.98%)	Chi-Square 6.643 (0.036)

	Exposed	151 (28.93%)	153 (29.31%)	23 (4.41%)	
	Total	227 (43.49%)	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	
Sexual	Never	135 (25.86%)	164 (31.42%)	38 (7.28%)	Chi-Square 6.660 (0.036)
	Exposed	92 (17.62%)	82 (15.71%)	11 (2.11%)	
	Total	227 (43.49%)	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	
Economic	Never	74 (14.18%)	90 (17.24%)	18 (3.45%)	Chi-Square 0.909 (0.635)
	Exposed	153 (29.31%)	156 (29.89%)	31 (5.939%)	
	Total	227 (43.49%)	246 (47.13%)	49 (9.39%)	

Source: Field Data collected for PhD research titled Gender Based Violence in Pakistani Schools.

Table 5. Variance in Punishment Based on Sexual Orientation					
Violence Type	Exposure	Sexual Orientation Influence nature and Magnitude of Punishment			Statistical Test
		Agree	Disagree	Don't Know	
Physical	Never	232 (44.44%)	17 (3.26%)	7 (1.34%)	Chi-Square 0.264 (0.876)
	Exposed	240 (45.98%)	20 (3.83%)	6 (1.15%)	
	Total	472 (90.42%)	37 (7.09%)	13 (2.49%)	
Psychological	Never	171 (32.76%)	16 (3.06%)	8 (1.53%)	Chi-Square 4.053 (0.132)
	Exposed	301 (57.66%)	21 (4.02%)	5 (0.96%)	
	Total	472 (90.42%)	37 (7.09%)	13 (2.49%)	
Sexual	Never	298 (57.09%)	27 (5.17%)	12 (2.3%)	Chi-Square 5.938 (0.051)
	Exposed	174 (33.33%)	10 (1.91%)	1 (0.19%)	
	Total	472 (90.42%)	37 (7.09%)	13 (2.49%)	
Economic	Never	160 (30.651%)	13 (2.49%)	9 (1.72%)	Chi-Square 6.956 (0.031)
	Exposed	312 (59.77%)	24 (4.60%)	4 (0.77%)	
	Total	472 (90.42%)	37 (7.09%)	13 (2.49%)	

Source: Field Data collected for PhD research titled Gender Based Violence in Pakistani Schools.

Violence Type	Exposure	Relation with Authority and Nature of Punishment			Statistical Test
		Agree	Disagree	Don't Know	
Physical	Never	118 (22.6%)	124 (23.75%)	14 (2.68%)	Chi-Square 7.606 (0.022)
	Exposed	154(29.5%)	103 (19.73%)	9 (1.72%)	
	Total	272 (52.11%)	227 (43.49%)	23 (4.41%)	
Psychological	Never	89 (17.05%)	93 (17.82%)	13 (2.49%)	Chi-Square 7.374 (0.025)
	Exposed	183 (35.06%)	134 (25.67%)	10 (1.91%)	
	Total	272 (52.11%)	227 (43.49%)	23 (4.41%)	
Sexual	Never	164 (31.418%)	153 (29.31%)	20 (3.83%)	Chi-Square 8.006 (0.018)
	Exposed	108 (20.69%)	74 (14.18%)	3 (0.57%)	
	Total	272 (52.11%)	227 (43.49%)	23 (4.41%)	
Economic	Never	83 (15.9%)	87 (16.67%)	12 (2.3%)	Chi-Square 6.701 (0.035)
	Exposed	189 (36.21%)	140 (26.82%)	11 (2.11%)	
	Total	272 (52.11%)	227 (43.49%)	23 (4.41%)	

Source: Field Data collected for PhD research titled Gender Based Violence in Pakistani Schools.

Violence Type	Exposure	Beauty, Soft Physical Appearance, Tender Age May attract favors of teachers and reduce Physical Punishment			Statistical Test
		Agree	Disagree	Don't Know	
Physical	Never	173 (33.14%)	74 (14.18%)	9 (1.72%)	Chi-Square 4.171 (0.124)
	Exposed	201 (38.51%)	57 (10.92%)	8 (1.53%)	
	Total	374 (71.65%)	131 (25.1%)	17 (3.26%)	
Psychological	Never	130 (24.9%)	57 (10.92%)	8 (1.53%)	Chi-Square 3.883 (0.144)
	Exposed	244 (46.74%)	74 (14.18%)	9 (1.72%)	

	Total	374 (71.65%)	131 (25.1%)	17 (3.26%)	
Sexual	Never	224 (42.91%)	97 (18.58%)	16 (3.07%)	Chi-Square 15.203 (0.000)
	Exposed	150 (28.74%)	34 (6.51%)	1 (0.19%)	
	Total	374 (71.65%)	131 (25.1%)	17 (3.26%)	
Economic	Never	133 (25.48%)	42 (8.05%)	7 (1.34%)	Chi-Square 0.832 (0.660)
	Exposed	241 (46.17%)	89 (17.05%)	10 (1.92%)	
	Total	374 (71.65%)	131 (25.1%)	17 (3.26%)	

Source: Field Data collected for PhD research titled Gender Based Violence in Pakistani Schools.

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