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Council of Europe

• [Iran Infuriated By Film Of Woman's Stoning](#) [8]

Source Item:

Iran Infuriated By Film Of Woman's Stoning

Country:

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

News Date:

16/10/2010

Summary:

A film portraying the real-life stoning of an Iranian woman is opening in London despite protests from the

country's government.

- [Iran Infuriated By Film Of Woman's Stoning](#) [9]



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Summary:

Soraya is stoned to death in her Iranian village under Islamic Sharia law.

- [Blasphemy laws exist in 69 countries, report finds](#) [10]

Source Item:

[Blasphemy laws exist in 69 countries, report finds](#) [11]

News Date:

13/11/2019

Summary:

The worst offenders

The report identifies Saudi Arabia and Pakistan as "perennial" prosecutors for blasphemy and says **freedom of thought is particularly penalised by Islamic penal codes and sharia-influenced laws.**

- [ECHR opposes deportation of Afghan Christian convert from Switzerland](#) [12]

Source Item:

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Country:

Algeria

Switzerland

News Date:

10/11/2019

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- [Malaysia: Five men sentenced under Islamic law to jail and caning of attempting to engage in gay sex](#) [14]

Source Item:

[Malaysia: Five men sentenced under Islamic law to jail and caning of attempting to engage in gay sex](#) [15]

Country:

Malaysia

News Date:

09/11/2019

Summary:

The Qur'an contains numerous condemnations of homosexual activity: "And [We had sent] Lot when he said to his people, 'Do you commit such immorality as no one has preceded you with from among the worlds? Indeed, you approach men with desire, instead of women. Rather, you are a transgressing people.'...And We rained upon them a rain [of stones]. Then see how was the end of the criminals." (Qur'an 7:80-84)

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- [How Iran imposes strict adherence to Islamic law with severe, inhuman punishment](#) [16]

Source Item:

[How Iran imposes strict adherence to Islamic law with severe, inhuman punishment](#) [17]

Country:

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

News Date:

02/11/2019

Summary:

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- [Indonesia: Muslim cleric publicly flogged for adultery under islamic law he helped draw up](#) [19]

Source Item:

[Indonesia: Muslim cleric publicly flogged for adultery under islamic law he helped draw up](#) [20]

Country:

Indonesia

News Date:

03/11/2019

Summary:

"An Indonesian man who worked for a clerical organization that advises a local government on Islamic law has been caned in public for adultery....Mukhlis bin Muhammad, a member of the Aceh Ulema Council (MPU), was caned 28 times." And the irony is that he was publicly whipped for breaking the adultery law that [he helped draw up](#) [21].

- [Two men are publicly flogged in Indonesia under Sharia law after being caught gambling](#) [22]

Source Item:

[Two men are publicly flogged in Indonesia under Sharia law after being caught gambling](#) [23]

Country:

Indonesia

News Date:

21/10/2019

Summary:

Two men accused of gambling are the latest to receive a public whipping in the capital of [Indonesia](#) [24]'s Aceh, where people are commonly flogged for a range of offences including drinking [25]

- [India: Muslim group says it murdered Hindu leader because he "tried to defame Islam and Muslims](#) [26]

Source Item:

[India: Muslim group says it murdered Hindu leader because he "tried to defame Islam and Muslims](#) [27]

Country:

India

News Date:

19/10/2019

Summary:

Oh, no doubt about that. And due to the Left's pusillanimity and willingness to accept Sharia blasphemy laws under the guise of "hate speech" prohibitions, this kind of thing is coming to the West as well. It won't start with violence against "blasphemers." But it will end with it.

- [We Have The Right to Kill Anyone Who Does Not Respect Islam](#) [28]



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Summary:

Interviewer: "For someone who burns the Koran, the punishment according to Islam is death, is that correct?"

Imam: "If you burn the Koran, which is an insult, then clearly the answer is yes"!

See also:

<https://conservativepapers.com/news/2015/10/05/muslim-imam-muslims-have-the-right-to-kill-anyone-who-does-not-respect-islam/> [29]

- [Female Isil supporter killed in row over makeshift Sharia court in Syrian camp](#) [30]

Source Item:

[Female Isil supporter killed in row over makeshift Sharia court in Syrian camp](#) [31]

Country:

Syrian Arab Republic

News Date:

30/09/2019

Summary:

A female Isil supporter was killed and seven others injured during an exchange of gunfire over a secret Sharia court set up in a Syrian camp holding displaced women and children.

The row broke out when a group of female Isil supporters ordered that several other women in the foreigners' section of al-Hol camp be given lashes for refusing to attend an informal Koranic studies class.

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- [UK: Muslim cleric from US says thieves' hands should be amputated, but only in Muslim world](#) [32]

Source Item:

[UK: Muslim cleric from US says thieves' hands should be amputated, but only in Muslim world](#) [33]

Country:

United Kingdom (UK)

News Date:

13/10/2019

Summary:

Sure, but what makes the amputation of thieves' hands acceptable in the Muslim world but not in the UK? It's a Qur'anic command (5:38). Abu Usamah At-Thahabi's answer would probably be that Britain is not a Sharia state or even a majority-Muslim country, and so Islamic law cannot be fully enforced.

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- [Laws Criminalizing Apostasy](#) [34]



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Source Item:

[Laws Criminalizing Apostasy](#) [35]

Author(s):

[US Govt](#) [36]

Summary:

This report surveys the apostasy laws of twenty-three countries in Africa, the Middle East, South Asia, and Southeast Asia and primarily focuses on jurisdictions that make apostasy, or renouncing one's religion, a capital offense. However, several countries that have adopted broadly-defined laws on blasphemy and insult to religion, which could potentially be used to prosecute persons for apostasy, have also been included, as well as one country that expressly prohibits extrajudicial punishment for allegations of apostasy.

- [Converting to Islam - A health and safety warning](#) [37]

Source Item:

[Converting to Islam - A health and safety warning](#) [38]

Country:

United Kingdom (UK)

News Date:

02/10/2019

Summary:

Sharia Watch: Please note this from the [Council of Europe which states that 'death for apostasy' is one of the general principles of sharia law!](#) [39] - "Apostasy results, firstly, in the

- [Indonesia: Three couples publicly flogged for un-Islamic public affection](#) [40]

Source Item:

[Indonesia: Three couples publicly flogged for un-Islamic public affection](#) [41]

Country:

Indonesia

News Date:

22/09/2019

Summary:

"Couples flogged for public affection in Indonesia's Aceh," [AFP](#) [42], September 19, 2019 (thanks to [The Religion of Peace](#) [43]):

A trio of canoodling couples were publicly flogged in Indonesia's Aceh province on Thursday, charged with breaking local Islamic law that outlaws public displays of affection.

- [Saudi Arabia executes 134 as crucifixions rise - with 3 children at risk of death](#) [44]

Source Item:

[Saudi Arabia executes 134 as crucifixions rise - with 3 children at risk of death](#) [45]

Country:

Saudi Arabia

News Date:

16/09/2019

Summary:

Crucifixion is one of the punishments specified by verse 5:33 for "causing mischief/corruption in the land". The 'crime' of 'causing mischief/corruption in the land' is one of the exceptions that Muslim spokesmen ALWAYS omit when misquoting verse 5:32 after jihad attacks. See below:

• [Section 295-C of Pakistan Penal Code: Blasphemy Law](#) [46]

Out of all these sections, section 295-A (Defiling Holy Quran) and 295-C (Defaming Prophet Mohammad (PBUH)) carry severest punishments. For defiling Quran the punishment is life imprisonment and for defaming Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) the punishment is life imprisonment or death sentence. In the remaining sections the punishment is of fine and or imprisonment up to three years except section 295 (outraging religious feelings) for which the punishment is imprisonment up to ten years. Thus 295-C is the only section which prescribes capital punishment and is subject to severe criticism and debate.

Section 295-C of Pakistan Penal Code states:

"Whoever by words, either spoken or written, or by visible representation or by any imitation, innuendo, or insinuation, directly or indirectly, defiles the sacred name of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) shall be punished with death, or imprisonment for life, and shall also be liable to fine."

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Source Item:

[Section 295-C of Pakistan Penal Code: Blasphemy Law](#) [47]

Author(s):

[Fatima Jinnah Women University](#) [48]

Summary:

Abstract:

This article discusses blasphemy law of Pakistan and deliberates on international criticism and pressure on Pakistan to change death penalty for crime under section 295-C of PPC. It highlights the reasons why even the most liberal Pakistani governments have not been able to bring any reforms in this law let alone change the law. The article further focuses on section 295-C of Pakistan Penal Code on defamation of Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) and sees how it is different from other offences relating to religion mentioned in part XV of Pakistan's Penal Code. This research carries out an in depth study of the Qur'anic verses and the incidents which took place during the life time of Prophet Mohammad (pbuh) as recorded in classical Islamic literature, of offending, ridiculing or disobeying the Prophet of Islam. Finally capital punishment under Islamic law and under laws of United States is discussed. Islamic legal philosophy on capital punishment and mannerism in which Islamic legal system deters the misuse of law in capital crimes is part of this research. The article also suggests that the constitutional status of a country has a very important role to play in its legislation.

To conclude it is stated that section 295-C of Pakistan Penal Code is in line with the verses of Quran and Prophetic traditions. Since the Constitution of Pakistan states that laws should not be repugnant to injunctions of Islam therefore derogating Prophet Muhammad's name or personality is considered as a

capital crime under section 295-C.

- **[MPS CONCERNED BY REPORTS OF SHARIA LAW TAUGHT AT MOSQUE SCHOOLS](#)**

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Source Item:

[MPS CONCERNED BY REPORTS OF SHARIA LAW TAUGHT AT MOSQUE SCHOOLS](#) [50]

Country:

Netherlands (the)

News Date:

11/09/2019

Summary:

Children at Salafist mosque schools in the Netherlands are taught Sharia law, and are taught the death penalty is appropriate for people with a different religion or belief system, according to a study by Nieuwsuur and NRC. The report has parliamentarians concerned.

- **[Reliance of the Traveller: Classic Manual of Islamic Sacred Law](#)** [51]

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[Reliance of the Traveller: Classic Manual of Islamic Sacred Law](#) [52]

Summary:

This is a classic manual of fiqh rulings based on Shafi'i School of jurisprudence and includes original Arabic texts and translations from classic works of prominent Muslim scholars such as al Ghazali, al Nawawi, al Qurtubi, al Dhahabi and others.

Admin: This manual has been endorsed by Cairo's al-Azhar university as "**conforming to the practice and faith of orthodox Sunni Islam**". It substantiates the [Council of Europe report](#) [39] that outlines some of the ways in which sharia is incompatible with democracy and human rights in that it:

- Sanctions death for apostasy
- Death by stoning for adultery and sodomy
- Discrimination against non-Muslims
- Jihad against non-Muslims to establish Islam
- In some cases, forced conversion to Islam
- Discrimination against non-Muslims
- Amputation of limbs
- It makes clear that penalties like amputation and stoning are also applicable to non-Muslims.

This resolution by the Council of Europe spells out precisely how sharia is incompatible with human rights and democracy:

*The Assembly recalls that the European Court of Human Rights has already stated in *Refah Partisi (The Welfare Party) and others v. Turkey* that the institution of Sharia law and a theocratic regime are incompatible with the requirements of a democratic society. The Assembly fully agrees that Sharia rules on, for example, divorce and inheritance proceedings are clearly incompatible with the Convention, in particular its Article 14, which prohibits discrimination on grounds such as sex or religion, and Article 5 of Protocol No. 7 to the Convention (ETS No. 117), which establishes equality between marital partners. Sharia law is also in contradiction with other provisions of the Convention and its additional protocols, including Article 2 (right to life), Article 3 (prohibition of torture or inhuman or degrading treatment), Article 6 (right to a fair trial), Article 8 (right to respect for private and family life), Article 9 (freedom of thought, conscience and religion), Article 10 (freedom of expression), Article 12 (right to marry), Article 1 of the Protocol to the Convention (ETS No. 9) (protection of property) and Protocols Nos. 6 (ETS No. 114) and 13 (ETS No. 187) abolishing the death penalty.*

<http://assembly.coe.int/nw/xml/XRef/Xref-XML2HTML-en.asp?fileid=25353> [53]

- [Paedophiles hung on a crane and shot for gang-raping 10-year-old](#) [54]

Source Item:

[Paedophiles hung on a crane and shot for gang-raping 10-year-old](#) [55]

Country:

Yemen

News Date:

03/06/2019

Summary:

Three paedophiles were publicly shot then hanged from a crane in Yemen as punishment for raping and killing a ten-year-old boy. Yemen, south of Saudi Arabia, is one of the world's top executors with capital punishment for violent crimes including murder, rape, and terrorism. The death penalty can also theoretically be used in cases of Islamic or 'Hudud' offences under Sharia law such as adultery, sexual misconduct, sodomy, prostitution,

blasphemy and apostasy. All sentences are carried out by shooting although stoning, hanging, and beheading are also permitted within the Yemeni penal code.

- [Iranian lawyer who defended women's right to remove hijab gets 38 years, 148 lashes](#) [56]

Source Item:

[Iranian lawyer who defended women's right to remove hijab gets 38 years, 148 lashes](#) [57]

Country:

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

News Date:

11/03/2019

Summary:

After two trials described by Amnesty International as "grossly unfair," Iranian human rights lawyer Nasrin Sotoudeh has been sentenced to a total of 38 years in prison and 148 lashes.

- [Brunei LGBT community living in fear despite sultan's death penalty reprieve](#) [58]

Source Item:

[Brunei LGBT community living in fear despite sultan's death penalty reprieve](#) [59]

Country:

Brunei Darussalam

News Date:

11/05/2019

Summary:

When the Sultan of Brunei last week announced a moratorium on the much-condemned death penalty for gay sex, some hailed the move as a major advance. But inside the tiny South-East Asian nation, members of the LGBT community says there is little reason to celebrate - and much still to fear. In an interview with the Telegraph, one gay man, who asked to be identified only as 'M', warned that the apparent turnaround would only be temporary.

- [Nigeria: jails backlogged with prisoners in lengthy wait of sharia stonings and amputations](#) [60]

Source Item:

[Nigeria: jails backlogged with prisoners in lengthy wait of sharia stonings and amputations](#) [61]

Country:

Nigeria

News Date:

09/05/2019

Summary:

In a prison in a village in Nigeria, “the condemned convicts we have are mostly coming from Sharia Courts. These and other related cases like amputation of hand or leg have been in jail for over 10 years without knowing their fate. Their hands are not cut off, their legs are not cut off, they don’t know their fate.”

- [Brunei set to introduce death by stoning for adultery and gay sex](#) [62]

Source Item:

[Brunei set to introduce death by stoning for adultery and gay sex](#) [63]

Country:

Brunei Darussalam

News Date:

29/03/2019

Summary:

Adultery and gay sex will be punishable by stoning to death and the limbs of convicted thieves will be amputated under a new law set to come into effect from next week in the tiny southeast Asian kingdom of Brunei. A new strict Sharia penal code is to be enforced from next Wednesday defying heavy criticism that has kept the brutal provisions on hold for the last four years.

- [Video Recorded Inside a Muslim Faith School in the UK](#) [64]

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This shocking video shows Islamic scholars teaching young British children in a Muslim faith school in the UK.

The woman first illustrates what happens when a person decides to leave Islam. “What are we going to do?” asks the woman in broken English. “We kill him. Kill.”

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- [Six couples flogged in Aceh for being too close to a member of the opposite sex](#) [71]

Source Item:

[Six couples flogged in Aceh for being too close to a member of the opposite sex](#) [72]

Country:

Indonesia

News Date:

06/03/2019

- [A woman charged with having an affair retracts her guilty plea after the judge warns she would be sentenced to death by stoning](#) [73]

Source Item:

[A woman charged with having an affair retracts her guilty plea after the judge warns she would be sentenced to death by stoning](#) [74]

Country:

Abu Dhabi

News Date:

29/07/2009

Summary:

A Saudi Arabian woman charged with having an affair retracted her guilty plea yesterday after the judge warned that under Islamic law, she would be sentenced to death by stoning. The woman, RM, was charged with adultery and justification of sin - claiming that a sin is acceptable - in a case brought by her father at Abu Dhabi's Criminal Court of First Instance. Her co-defendant, an Emirati man, SM, faces the same charges, but he was not in court.

- [UAE: DEATH BY STONING/ FLOGGING](#) [75]

Source Item:

[UAE: DEATH BY STONING/ FLOGGING](#) [76]

Country:

United Arab Emirates (the)

News Date:

12/06/2006

Summary:

A foreign national in the Emirate of Fujairah has been sentenced to death by stoning by a Shari'a (Islamic) court. Shahin 'Abdul Rahman, whose nationality is not known to Amnesty International, received the sentence on 10 June 2006 for committing adultery after he was allegedly found naked in bed with Asma Bikham Bijam, a domestic worker.

- [Just say no to sharia law](#) [77]

Source Item:

[Just say no to sharia law](#) [78]

Country:

United Kingdom (UK)

News Date:

19/11/2009

Summary:

Sadly, the turn out in Hyde Park will probably be quite small. This is odd. Most liberals and leftwingers would protest loud and strong if these persecutions were perpetrated by a western regime or by Christian fundamentalists. But they get squeamish when it comes to challenging human rights abuses committed in the name of Islam. They fear being denounced as Islamophobic.

- [Young woman is caned in public as punishment under Sharia law for being 'in close proximity' to her boyfriend](#) [79]

Source Item:

[Young woman is caned in public as punishment under Sharia law for being 'in close proximity' to her boyfriend](#) [80]

Country:

Indonesia

News Date:

29/10/2018

Summary:

- **The 21-year-old was forced to kneel and lashed in front of crowds before being hauled off the platform**
 - **Her boyfriend was also whipped with the bamboo stick as he stood before fellow citizens of Banda Aceh**
 - **The city is in Aceh, which is the sole province where Islamic law is fully enforced**
 - **Indonesia has the world's largest Muslim population with around 225 million believers**
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- [Woman to be stoned to death for adultery in Saudi Arabia - while male partner to receive 100 lashes](#) [81]

Source Item:

[Woman to be stoned to death for adultery in Saudi Arabia - while male partner to receive 100 lashes](#) [82]

Country:

Saudi Arabia

News Date:

27/11/2015

Summary:

The married 45-year-old was working as a maid in Riyadh and was convicted of adultery in August but her partner

was given a lesser punishment

- [Hudud \(Penalties\) in Contemporary Legal Discourse](#) [83]

Author(s):

[Sheikh Yusuf Al-Qaradawi](#) [84]

[Hifzan Shafiee](#) [85]

Source Item:

[Hudud \(Penalties\) in Contemporary Legal Discourse](#) [86]

Summary:

On Sunday, January 2, 2011, Sheikh Yusuf Al-Qaradawi, president of the International Union for Muslim Scholars (IUMS), was interviewed by Al Jazeera channel program *Ash-Shari`ah wa Al-Hayah (Shari`ah and Life)*. The interview's main theme was "*Hudud* in Contemporary Fiqh."

From time to time, the question of *hudud* (fixed penalties in the Islamic Shari`ah) and their application in the modern world raises debates in Muslim and non-Muslim societies. While mainstream Muslims regard the right application of *hudud* as an integral part of Shari`ah, others see it as a controversial issue that should be open to *ijtihad* (personal reasoning) on the part of contemporary scholars.

Sheikh Qaradawi, who is known for his vast and deep knowledge of Shari`ah and its essential objectives, wonderfully and distinctively dealt with this thorny topic in his recent interview on Al Jazeera. In the following lines, the main points discussed during the interview are reviewed.

- [HUDUD PUNISHMENTS IN ISLAMIC CRIMINAL LAW](#) [87]

Author(s):

[Dr. Okon](#) [88]

Source Item:

[HUDUD PUNISHMENTS IN ISLAMIC CRIMINAL LAW](#) [89]

Summary:

Islam is more than a religion, it encompasses faith, culture, law and the social order. Islam proposes a society of righteousness and justice. Criminal behaviour is not tolerated in the Islamic order of society. Criminal behaviour is breach of God's sovereignty, hence stiffer penalties are prescribed. This paper examines hudud punishments in Islamic penal system, and agitates for the reformation of Islamic criminal jurisprudence. While it is reasonable to punish offenders, and violators of normative principles, it is the opinion of this paper that punishments that are prescribed in municipal penal code should at least conform to international criminal jurisprudence.

...

Criminal behaviour and actions are broadly divided into three categories in Islamic criminal jurisprudence. Hudud

offenses are crimes against God whose punishment is clearly stipulated in the Quran and the Sunna. Qesas are physical assault and murder that are punishable through retaliation. The victim or the surviving heirs may decide to waive the punishment, and demand compensation (blood money or diyya). The victim may also decide to pardon the offender. Ta'zir punishments are not prescribed in the Quran or Sunna, and are executed under the discretionary powers of the judge. Capital offences in Islamic criminal justice system are called hudud (the plural for hadd) , meaning "restraint" or prohibition. These are offences that are specified in the Quran and Sunna. Hudud crimes are often seen as criminal behavior against Allah, or public justice. Islamic courts do not have any discretionary power in the execution of hudud penalties. Once a prima facie case is established with evidences, and the conditions for applying the punishments are fulfilled, the Islamic court is divested of discretionary powers.

- [Amazon scheme supports Islamic extremists](#) [90]

Source Item:

[Amazon scheme supports Islamic extremists](#) [91]

Country:

United Kingdom (UK)

News Date:

08/10/2018

Summary:

Amazon has agreed to fund a hardline British charity whose leading ideologue supports child marriage, female genital mutilation and stoning people to death for adultery. Under its charitable programme, the internet giant will make donations to the London-based group whenever its supporters buy products. The Muslim Research and Development Foundation (MRDF) has been described by the government's counter-extremism commissioner, Sara Khan, as "the main Salafist organisation in the UK".

- [Rethinking Islamism II](#) [92]

Author(s):

[NewStatesman](#) [93]

[Tariq Ramadan](#) [94]

Source Item:

[Rethinking Islamism II](#) [95]

Summary:

Equally important is that the punishments which cause the greatest outcry -- flogging, stoning, etc -- come under the *hudud* laws, which are implemented in Saudi Arabia and were introduced by General Zia ul-Haq in Pakistan in 1979, but are the exception, not the rule, in most Muslim countries.

They are, in fact, an embarrassment to the many Muslims who consider them barbaric. So when Ramadan called for a [moratorium](#) [96] on corporal punishment, stoning and the death penalty in the Islamic world in 2005, some

non-Muslims criticised him for not going further. Why didn't he say the *hudud* laws should just be discarded or repealed?

He explained this by pointing out that most of the authorities "are of the opinion that these penalties are on the whole Islamic [because of textual references] but that the conditions under which they should be implemented are nearly impossible to re-establish. These penalties, therefore, are 'almost never applicable'." He later declared that "Islam is being used to degrade and subjugate women and men in certain Muslim-majority societies in the midst of collusive silence and chaotic judicial opinions on the ground". The present-day use of *hudud*, therefore, is clearly a misuse of sharia.

This article discusses the conditions required:

Possibility of Applying Hudud Today

It is supposed that when the elements of a crime are complete, hudud should be applied. However, if these elements are not present, then ta`zeer should be applied. Ta`zeer is to be applied by the authority of the imam or judge. Applying hudud is the right of the state. Consequently, no group in any place has the right to apply hudud to a group of people away from the authority of the state.

*Hudud may be suspended until there is an Islamic life comprehensively established, with all conditions guaranteed. **If these conditions are met in a certain case, hudud must be applied.***

<https://hifzanshafiee.wordpress.com/2012/10/24/hudud-penalties-in-contemporary-legal-discourse/> [86]

• [Muslim Mob Stones Three Christians to Death in Kenya](#) [97]

Source Item:

[Muslim Mob Stones Three Christians to Death in Kenya](#) [98]

Country:

Kenya

News Date:

27/09/2018

Summary:

An Islamist mob stoned three Christians to death in western Kenya this week in apparent retaliation for the recent killing of three suspected al Shabaab militants.

• [Stoning - where does it happen?](#) [99]

Author(s):

[Reuters Foundation](#) [100]

Source Item:

[Stoning - where does it happen?](#) [101]

Summary:

Stoning, a form of execution where a group throws stones at a person until they are dead, still happens in parts of the Muslim world, mostly as a punishment for adultery. Most victims are women. Stoning, which is not mentioned in the Koran, violates international law. Below is a list of countries where stoning is legal and/or practised.

- [Man faces stoning in UAE for incest](#) [102]

Source Item:

[Man faces stoning in UAE for incest](#) [103]

Country:

United Arab Emirates (the)

News Date:

14/04/2007

Summary:

A Pakistani man faces death by stoning in the United Arab Emirates for committing adultery with four of his stepdaughters, a local daily reported.

- [Nigerian Woman Fights Stoning Death](#) [104]

Source Item:

[Nigerian Woman Fights Stoning Death](#) [105]

Country:

Nigeria

News Date:

18/03/2011

Summary:

In October 2001, an Islamic court found Hussaini guilty of adultery and under sharia, or Islamic law, sentenced her to be stoned to death while buried up to her waist in sand. In interviews with Western journalists in recent days, some Muslim clerics in the region have carefully explained that Hussaini would be buried in a pit to prevent her escape and that the size of the stones could be as big as an adult fist.

- [Iran executes two men by stoning](#) [106]

Source Item:

[Iran executes two men by stoning](#) [107]

Country:

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

News Date:

13/01/2009

Summary:

Two men convicted of adultery have been stoned to death in Iran, a rare punishment that the Iranian judiciary says it is trying to have scrapped.

- [Muslim women caned in Malaysia over same-sex behaviour](#) [108]

Source Item:

[Muslim women caned in Malaysia over same-sex behaviour](#) [109]

Country:

Malaysia

News Date:

03/09/2018

Summary:

Two Malaysian Muslim women convicted under Islamic laws of attempting to have sexual relations were caned Monday in a rare public whipping that was slammed by rights activists as a grave miscarriage of justice. Lawyers and activists said the women, aged 22 and 32, were seated on stools facing the judges and given six strokes from a light rattan cane on their backs by female prison officers. More than 100 people witnessed the caning in a Shariah courtroom in northeast Terengganu state, they said.

- [Sharia Tutition at a London Mosque](#) [110]

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- [Stoning victim 'begged for mercy'](#) [113]

Source Item:

[Stoning victim 'begged for mercy'](#) [114]

Country:

Somalia

News Date:

04/11/2008

Summary:

A young woman recently stoned to death in Somalia first pleaded for her life, a witness has told the BBC. "Don't kill me, don't kill me," she said, according to the man who wanted to remain anonymous. A few minutes later, more than 50 men threw stones. Human rights group Amnesty International says the victim was a 13-year-old girl who had been raped.

- [What Is Sharia Law?](#) [115]

Author(s):

[Snopes](#) [116]

[David Emery](#) [117]

Source Item:

[What Is Sharia Law?](#) [118]

Summary:

From very early on, Sharia judges utilized a "near endless list of ambiguities" that functioned as an "escape hatch" from corporal punishment. Even in the few Muslim majority nations where Hudud sentences are still applied (e.g., Nigeria, Sudan, Iran, and Saudi Arabia), they are infrequently carried out:

Between 1981 and 1992, there were four executions by stoning in Saudi Arabia and forty-five amputations for theft. In a one-year sample (1982-83), out of 4,925 convictions for theft, only two hands were cut off. The rest of the guilty were punished by ta'zīr [discretionary sentencing applicable to lesser crimes]. In the same time period, out of 659 convictions for Hudud-level sexual crimes, no one was stoned. Many death sentences are the result of political punishments, not the Hudud. In Nigeria's northern states, all of which have adopted Shariah-based legal codes, a few amputations for theft have taken place. There have been at least two sentences to death for adultery, but in all cases so far ambiguities were found to release the guilty party.

Admin: Four executions by stoning and 45 amputations in a decade seems to be an acceptable price to pay for liberals to try and exculpate sharia. This article also erroneously implies sharia only applies to Muslims when the manual of sharia clearly states that, with a few exceptions, it does apply to non-Muslims. The article also ignores the many people slaughtered by sharia vigilantes for 'blasphemy', insulting Islam etc.

- [Only 14, Bangladeshi girl charged with adultery was lashed to death](#) [119]

Source Item:

[Only 14, Bangladeshi girl charged with adultery was lashed to death](#) [120]

Country:

Bangladesh

News Date:

29/03/2011

Summary:

Hena Akhter's last words to her mother proclaimed her innocence. But it was too late to save the 14-year-old girl. Her fellow villagers in Bangladesh's Shariatpur district had already passed harsh judgment on her. Guilty, they said, of having an affair with a married man. The imam from the local mosque ordered the fatwa, or religious ruling, and the punishment: 101 lashes delivered swiftly, deliberately in public.

Hena dropped after 70.

- [Canada Mosque Kids Acting Out Beheading](#) [121]



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- [Muslim children in a mosque in Canada practicing beheading of infidels](#) [122]

Source Item:

[Muslim children in a mosque in Canada practicing beheading of infidels](#) [123]

Country:

Canada

News Date:

01/05/2018

Summary:

Muslim children in a mosque in Canada practicing beheading of infidels In a shocking video which went viral on social media. Canada may be the first Western country to adopt blasphemy law and to criminalize criticism of Islam. Justin Trudeau is most vocal Western leaders against Islamophobia which means fear of Islam. The Canadian prime minister wants to ban not only criticism of Islam but to persecute people who are afraid of Islam. Freedom of expression is a fundamental right in a democratic state and should be protected in Canada. Freedom of speech should not be limited by people's feeli

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