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## THE BIRTH OF “WHITE MARRIAGE” AS ONE OF THE UNWANTED CHILD OF 1979 POST REVOLUTION

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this essay is to identify some of the main reason for couple’s cohabitation in Iran, where sexual relations outside of marriage are un-Islamic and subject to legal punishment. Many observers point to youth’s deteriorating economic condition, youths deviation from religious and traditional values, their lack of believe in Marriage, desire to experience relations without being legally bounded to marriage responsibilities, increased numbers of divorced men and women, influence of western culture, insecurity, lack of trust to sustainable marriage, marriage customs and ect as main reasons for emergence of so called “white marriage”. Official view it as foreign import practice denouncing sharia based family laws, and ultraconservative parents describe it’s practice unethical, immoral and insult to Iran’s marriage customs & norms, while new generations are turning backs on tradition and state-promoted values. Here I have tried to explore few of above variables contributing to emergence of cohabiting outside wed log in addition to how government and parents are filled with overwhelming sense of outrage over youth’s crossing over legal and traditional boundaries and furthermore, conservative parent’s frustrations over their own inability to understand children of information century. The birth of “White Marriage” as an unwanted child of 1979 Post Revolution has no place in Iran and it can’t be institutionalized in ultraconservative religiously bounded society where moderates refuse to shelter it too.

**Key words:** White marriage, Cohabitation, Sharia laws, Traditionalism, Youth’s Deviation from Religion, Conservatism, Traditional Marriage.

**Introduction.** Nowadays in Iran, there is a certain degree of unwillingness to accept sharia based marriage laws. Iran’s cohabiting couples outside of wedlock defy religiously oriented marriage costumes and traditional norms and conditions that are believed to be driving factors for youth’s lack of commitments for marriage in Iran. Traditionally at wedding night the presence of hymenal blood on the couple’s white bed sheets is evidence of women’s virginity which is very important in Islamic world for couple reasons 1- women must stay virgin until marriage and second, it’s compliance with Sharia laws, both of which are deeply valued in conservative Islamic societies. Women in Islamic nations believed to be primary preserver of Islam as wife and mother. Their proper conducts of behavior in accordance with Islamic laws are important. Form Hardline Mullah’s perspective cohabiting outside wed log is an insult to Islamic marriage principles. They often reacted to this growing trend of un-Islamic behavior harshly. First of all they interpreted it as western import concept denouncing Islamic family values and piousness to its ideology.

Family is center to Islamic ideology. It is the foundation to Islamic society where people deeply respect religious laws that regulate family functions. Any form of living together for unmarried couples outside of Sharia Law not only is unethical but also illegal and subject for punishment. It is a practice that Islamic society shows zero tolerance. This newly developed social phenomenon had created an awkward situation for governmental officials that have no idea how to deal with it. They have faced with growing trend of couples living together without officially being married; creating un-Islamic form of life style similar to western type that has been criticized and condemned by Islamic scholars for many decades. The growing impact of western culture on Islamic society and prevailing youth’s tendency to adopt western life style is becoming very difficult to Iranian official and conservative Muslim families to deal with. Ironically, western lifestyle that often labeled as bad prescription for family life is being praised by youths in Iranian society, a society that has been taking so much pride for its ardent pious Muslim parents that views religious norms as guarantor of sustainable family life. Currently, majority of youth are moving away from traditional marriage

costumes whether it has root in religion or radicalism, economic or social structure, I decided to examine the root cause of this newly emerged social phenomenon in Islamic Iran. I like to explore facts and variables forcing youth to engage in religiously forbidden practice. What are the motives and conditions that make youth to step beyond redlines prescribed by Sharia laws.

Cohabitation known as white marriage emerged in absence of options that could be more desirable and less hazardous from legal point of views. A realistic perspective might display verity of unidentified and hidden problems that we are reluctant to tackle them. However, here in this essay we will examine the consequences of cohabitating outside of wed log and complication surrounding traditional marriage. From economic point view it shows that, they are not prepared to shoulder marriage responsibility that seems too big of burden for unemployed poor youth to handle. It is also presented here that, youth's preference of white marriage over traditional one is more of ideological nature than anything else. Youth's world views and their own interpretation of traditional marriage along with their deviation from fundamental family values has root in their way of seeing things that are far different then past generations.

Both government and Traditional parents are losing their battle against growing practice of "white marriage" that started in capital city of Tehran and other large cities in Iran. Marriage concept is universal; it is a process that serves one single unified purpose and that is to unite a man and a woman officially for living together, making children and possibly a lot of them; however its ceremonial procedures varies in different societies.

**Marriage and/or cohabiting outside wed log in Iran.** Islam views marriage as a contract regulated by rights and responsibilities of both parties.(1) Referring to the phenomenon of ' white marriage' , Ghraee Moghadam, socialist, also said that it is not marriage , because marriage is a religious, customary and legal bond between a man and a women (2)and family values are principle guarantors of stable marriage. Weather couple's cohabiting manifests a gradual deviation of youth from what is valued and preserved for many centuries or it is manifestation of youth strong desire to adopt western life style, either way majority of Iranian families condemn its practice and refuse to abandon their core family values that kept them together for many centuries and moreover, they are not ready to compromise keen based family structure to what is described as foreign import ideas destabilizing their cultural foundations.

The clash of westernization with Islamization became more visible after the 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran. The generation of Pahlavi Era accustomed to western life style faced with Sharia based laws that imposed more restrictions over people's free activities leading to youth to fall in to a vacuum of uncertainty and to face with contradicting values.

Youth's Life in post revolution Iran is full of contradictions. Between Islamic identity prescribed by regime in one hand and western democratic values on the other hand and the integration of both Islamic and democratic values has given mix identity to most of the new generation in Iranian society. The fellow of free information about other nation's cultural values became a challenge for government and an alternative window of contact to outside world for youths in Iran. New analysis shows that one of the most revealing impacts of globalization is the Cultural Revolution in some of the Islamic nations. It begins with new generation questioning the quality and competitiveness or responsiveness of Islamic laws to modern demands of people. The impact of western values on Islamic culture is evident in daily choices and the way youth embrace anything is western starting from their irresistible desire to open relationship with opposite sex which is denied to them by Sharia laws. Despite governments struggle to stop the development of such tendencies, it is a growing social phenomenon that challenges Islamic regime in Iran. One of these new emerging social phenomena is youth's cohabiting outside wed log, known as white marriage.

White marriage is not new to western world but it is relatively a new practice in conservative societies that ruled by Islamic laws. It is un-Islamic and un-traditional for couples to live under the same roof without officially being married. Its growing practice in Islamic Iran has reached to alarming point, to the extent that caused for Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Khamenei office harsh reaction. "It's shameful for a man and a woman to live together without being married," the statement further stated "It won't take long for people who've chosen this lifestyle to have wiped out a legitimate generation with an illegitimate one (3).

Few of social analyst mostly liberals, blame the emergence of "white marriage" on Traditionalism and Marriage laws in Iran. From religious perspective "white marriage" violates the very basic principles of marriage laws. In conservative Islamic nations, boys and girls can't touch each other; another word physical contact is against sharia laws. "In a country where shaking hands with a member of the opposite sex is illegal, couples are risking their freedom and sometimes even their lives to live together"(4). I must admit that, it would be difficult for outsider to understand complicated concept of "white marriage" in the country that Hijab is fundamental to Islamic identity and traditionalism dominated every single aspect of youth's life.

Youths have been often faced by questions from traditional Islamists such as "why aren't you working?" "Why aren't you married yet "it is your god given responsibility to make family, have many kids and get on with your life". These questions are expected in a society that marriage rate is way bellows average which not only concerns parents but also it is a huge concern to Iranian officials. According to National Organization of Civil Organization Office for Statistics, marriage rate shows 2.7 percent growth while divorce rate rose to 9.3 percent year on year (5).

Traditionalists claim that, marriage will bring peace and harmony to their society and it keeps youths away from some of the most dangerous threats destroying their life. Some of these threats are universal and is not specific to a single country with distinctive cultural or political system, such as drug addictions or teen pregnancy which is a major concern in western nations too. Some of them emerge through immature relationships among uneducated youths, like having premarital or premature sexual relationship with underage that result in teen pregnancy. According to Iran's

state-run body for youth affairs reported by “The telegraph” “many of the men aged 19 to 29 have experienced sex before marriage, at least 13 percent of such cases resulted in un-wanted pregnancies that led to abortions” (6). In Iran sex outside of marriage and abortion is illegal. This is especially hard in more conservative Sunni provinces that denounce abortion and force teens to make one of the hardest decisions in their life. In such condition forced marriage is the only alternative left for them, making couples to take on responsibility that are not ready for it yet. “Forced marriages take place not just among the poor and conservative population in the countryside but also more extensively in different kinds of families and among different social classes (7). “The victims of forced marriages have no legal or social protection. The authorities return girls who have run away from home to their parents instead of giving them a place in a shelter.” (8)

According to traditionalists, marriage helps to reduce the level of Sexually transmitted disease like (HIV) (STIs) which are serious threat harming inexperienced and uneducated youths in their sexual relationships. According to Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS, “the HIV epidemic in Iran appears to be accelerating at an alarming trend, based on a report by Iran’s National AIDS Program, the 1159 of diagnosed HIV infections and AIDS cases in 2001 had shown a threefold increase in comparison to both 2000 and 1999”. (9) However the proponent of traditional marriage often failed to empower their children on these devastating social threats. They are also concerned with declining marriage rate and growing rate of unprotected sexual relations among youths. Despite Islamist claim, Secularism don’t promote “white marriage”, they just have softer and more reasonable approaches toward such behaviors and they usually have an open and instructive conversation on these kinds of issues than conservative parents, which is the key to understand youth’s problems. These kinds of social problems require great deal of effort and determinations to be resolved. Parents have no choice but to engage in more constructive dialogue with their youths especially when diversities over such sensitive issues continue to persist.

Unlike western nations speaking about sex is taboo in conservative societies. There for it is unlikely to presume that old minded parents to have an open conversation with their kids about religiously or even traditionally sanctioned issues. Unfortunately, parent’s inability or unwillingness to educate their youths about sex makes children to search for alternative sources of information like Internet or other social Medias. It is hard to disregard the positive impact of social media on people’s life; at the same time, it is also hard to ignore negative impact of it as huge volume of unfiltered materials circulating around globe intensifies. Access to information technology is becoming easy and chipper and social media is becoming excessively influential and unstoppable. It can open the door for world of prostitution, drugs, unprotected sexual relations, internet dating and so on.

In most cases, parents are unaware of how street criminals can take advantage of runaway youths, the young children that no longer consider their parents as their guardian and protector. Just feeding and clothing of children is not enough to keep them safe, conscious and real parenting involves paying close attentions to children’s other needs, the needs that are specific to generation of information century, otherwise they will leave to the land of no return, ( land of drug lords and human trafficking.....). As the gap between parent -children widens the gap between children- drug dealers tightens, therefore it is highly critical for parents to start acting like parent not a stubborn controller.

**Youth’s resistance to Traditionalism.** Researchers who have been studying social revelation of post Revolution in Iran were searching for root cause of this newly developed phenomenon that trembles Islam’s theoretical foundation. It is discomfoting situation for Iranian official who are unable to stop so called cultural invasion, the invasion that destabilizes family foundation and undermines ruling power’s preventive actions over youth deviation from religious norms; because it is more complicated than just dealing with youth’s unlawful cohabitation. “It shows just how much attitudes among young Iranians have shifted in just one generation, writes BBC Persia’s Rana Rahimpour”, “Just like in the rest of the world, the middle class in Iran is starting to prefer this type of life to traditional marriage,” sociologist Mahrdad Darvishpour told Deutche Welle” (10).

They are trapped in their own ideological waves of contradictions that are creating an unprecedented generational gap and this gap gets wider as youths start to reject everything that is traditional. It is clear that young urban Iranians are moving away from the traditional values of their parents' generation. Youth are no longer understood the generation that refuses to recognize as Darvishpour stated, “Modernity cannot be stopped”,(11) the modernism that is necessary to any society to survive in extremely globalized world. Furthermore, from youth’s perspective traditionalism as core characteristic of political Islam and ruling individuals is also obstacle to modernism.

**Traditional Marriage is far more expensive than white marriage.** Many of us from old generation encourage traditional marriage overlooking its financial implications. According to Iranian constitution “men have three financial obligations in a marriage, which entitle them to the role of the head of the family: mahriye or dower, nafaq or support and ojr al-mesl or compensation for house-work. Apart from the above, women have no rights to their husbands’ property” (12). “In Iran it is the groom’s family who pay for the wedding, which is often a lavish and costly affair. The groom also has to put up the money for a dowry a payment to be made to the bride if the marriage breaks down. The dower is often the only legal mechanism that women have to protect themselves against divorce and ill-treatment”.(13) A large dowry can be an effective means of preventing a husband from seeking a divorce or remarrying. Many men have ended up in prison in Iran for not being able to pay the dower included in their marriage contract. According to officials in the justice system, 20 000 men were in prison for failure to pay their dower in 2011.(14) If a man has not paid his mahriye, a court can also ban him from leaving the country (15).

One scary situation discouraging boys from getting married in addition to support that they don’t get from government or parents that favor big family with more kids is lack of proper child care system responsive to modern

day demands. The needs that are fundamental to a functional society may include providing proper educations and health care system, food or other tools of communication that are very expensive. Today, in child-centered society's even students of primary school need Cell Phone, Tablet, Computer, and so on. On December 1, presidential adviser Hessamedin Ashna, suggested that if getting married was easy and affordable, Iranians would not choose cohabitation (16). Materialistic character of capitalist countries created consumer based value system that resulted in unbearable economic burden to endure. Competition for having good house, new car and better job are the primary concern of young couples who have just got married, women's rights expert Nina Ansary tells the Times. "Many Iranians cohabit before marriage," she says. "It's economical. It's a way to date and live together and not bounded by the heavy weight of marriage in a country that handicaps its youth at every turn." (17). However, the trouble begins with official's failure to understand and to comply with new demand and economic needs of youth in Iranian society.

It relatively important to note that, Iran's economy has been shrinking and according to many economist's it is near to collapse if it doesn't recover soon. The fall of oil prices and Iran's dependency on oil revenue (close to 60%) has been dragging on for quite some times. Iranian officials are trying to break away from its oil based economy. Currently, despite opposition by conservative Hardliners, Rouhani's administration has been pushing for more foreign investments. The attempts to revive Iran's economy after successful nuclear negotiations faced with vigorous oppositions by US Republicans and Iranian Hardliners. They didn't support nuclear deal with 5+1 countries and remained opposed to its implementations. No need to spell out the role of Ahmadinejad's policies on downfall of this economy. Rouhani inherited weak economy worsened by corrupted officials during Ahmadinejad.

Rouhani is still experiencing economic crises although they refuse to publically admit it. However I must admit that the nuclear deal fueled Iran's economic engines and stopped from possible bankruptcy. Iran needs to joins the chain of global economy and that requires full cooperation and compliance with international laws and norms. Isolation and cutting off from world financial system is not helping Iran especially now that higher unemployment rate ( estimated 11.29 percent of the total labor force in 2016" according to Iran Alive Ministers, (18) and low income families are facing financial problems leading to youth's finding new ways to withstand financial pressures imposed upon them like expensive marriage. Iran's weak but growing economy may not help those with financial problems now but it looks promising for future generations despite the fact that, the review of Iranian families current and past economic conditions proves that, the birth of so called "white marriage" is directly linked to the financial conditions of couple who decided to escape marriage because they did not afford to have traditional wedding ceremony and fulfill unnecessary expectation of their parents.

**Youths Refusal of Marriage Responsibilities and their Interpretation of Traditional marriage.** Marriage is not just couples living together; it is a life time commitment that follows with great deal of responsibility to make it work and last forever. You might get cold feet before marriage. It seems like all the enthusiasm and excitements are disappearing in front of your eyes. You ask yourself the very basic question, "you love the person than what is the matter? You tend to resist the temptation driving you to escape the whole marriage things and the prospect of life after honeymoon gives you chill feeling that freezes your sense of excitements, allowing your logic to surface and take over your sinking emotions. Your hearth becomes your worst enemy and love becomes less critical. The dilemma continues until you find new way to live with your loved one without being trapped by tremendous responsibilities that comes with marriage. Encouraging words like " don't worry ,it natural to have such horrifying feeling, it is ok to be scared of getting married, it is temporary things, you will forget about it in your honeymoon, soon you will be adopted to it and so on. Kind words and optimism only makes couples feel good. A desire to be free from the obligations and financial burdens of marriage appears to be one the main contributing factor to have such ambivalent feeling. Gharæe Moghadam, socialist, stated that "low responsibility is one the main reason why the increasing number of Iranian couples living together without being married, (19) and according to Mostafa Eghlima, one of the main reasons that families accept white marriages is because they want to be freed from the burden of responsibility, and Javid Samoudi, a psychologist based in the holy city of Qom, blamed such cohabitation on "cultural invasion," fading religious beliefs, weakening family ties, rising economic costs, and a desire for diversity and no commitment among young people." (20)

Most of the youth have university degree without real skills and experiences to take responsibility of managing their own life. Youths of this generation are financially depended on their parents. Education does not bring them job. Without job there is no income, without income there is no house, no .... So it looks like education only is a four by four sheet of paper "diploma" to be beautifully framed and hang on the wall. At least in Iran that is the case.

There are three "Ps" the first latter of three words in Persian language that stands for 1- Poull means ( money) 2- Poullo means (A dish made by Rice) and 3- Partii means ( corrupted official that can be bribed easily) . These are three determinant factors in finding job, another word it is the only language of communication in corrupt society which has three syllabuses. Most of youth especially from middle and lower class family were unlikely to have equal opportunity with someone who comes up with Resume of Three Ps. Considering all above facts about youth's life, it will be difficult to promote traditional marriage over "white marriage". It is sad to witness how young people turned into group of aimless, hopeless with zero confidence rejecting marriage responsibilities. Some of most recent research indicates that youth's irresponsibility has root in their world views too, including their own interpretation of marriage verse cohabitation. It would be somewhat difficult to explore different aspects of what drives them to come up with such conclusion that marriage is senseless life time commitment to make kids and forceful compliance with principles of traditionalism, it is vague and full of uncertainties. Not long ago, Zanan magazine devoted a recent issue to the subject of cohabitation titled "Why commit myself to something I'm not sure about?" People of this kind have natural

tendency to pick easy road to future and I think the lack of moral conviction to build a life on the basis of just ethical values is evident on their approaches to marriage, like Ali, a close relative of mine said, "We basically want to live our lives the way we want "Now you can call it a white marriage or whatever you want." They are probably making a reasonable argument that traditional marriage doesn't sink with new realities of youth's life. If make simple ,without adding side attachments & unnecessary expensive ceremonies, cutting down level of expectations and so on, it would most likely increase youths confidence and decrease their fear of engagement in serious relationship that leads to marriage. The more we simplify the marriage conditions the better youth respond and accept it.

Furthermore, the older generations had and still have different view on marriage. Three decades ago marriage in Iran was an ultimate goal of every single young people. It was a confidence building driving force moving them forward. It was a motive to have money making carrier, financial stability and skills to improve their life, all for getting married to make children. Past generation's definition of life included "grow up, work hard, make money to have family. There was tremendous respect for family ties that started with marriage, but today youth lost faith in family and have no respect for marriage. As Javid Samoudi, said "weakening family ties, among young people is also helping emergence of youth's cohabitation"(21).

Youth often blame old generation for their current conditions; they usually ask "why did you bring us to this world?" as if the source of all their problems is the parents. Another one interesting question that I usually encounter with is "if you didn't have what it take to raise me, why did you bring me to this world"? It became daily argument that normally ends with very strong and indisputable statements, "we don't want make the same mistake, unwise and uncalculated decision that your generation made".

Past generation had never envisioned such vicious criticism shaking them up to see youth's life more clearly. They are still having hard time to see things from youth's point of view and to understand why marriage isn't ultimate dream for youth as it used to be for them and why marriage lost its precious traditional status among youths. From youth's perspective the concept of the marriage is only a choice made willingly and freely, but for old generation it was a predetermined concept that generation after generation became a purpose of living. For youth, it is a choice that can be made if it makes sense. That is why past and new generation has completely different interpretations of marriage or cohabitations. Obviously the role of the information technology in this regard can't be dismissed, as Sociologist Majid Abhari acknowledges that "growing influence" of the Internet and satellite channels was behind white marriages too. (22). It would be difficult to promote traditional marriage; especially now that we have no economical and ideological means to support our views. We can't ask a young man who does not have job, house, and workable governmental plan benefiting them to be optimistic about marriage. It would be senseless to ask them get married and have kids.

So by considering all above facts youths found their own solution that actually makes a lot of sense to them, not to us "older generation" and "officials". Unfortunately, instead of being more tolerant and absorbing, we end of alienating youths from ourselves and values that could help them. We lunched senseless campaign of criticism to discredit them and accused them for being lost and confused.

These kids aren't confused; only the current living conditions forced them to find new way (White Marriage) to deal with their most immediate problem that couldn't be resolved through traditional approaches.

**Deviation from Fundamental Family Values.** Any properly functional family is respected in all societies. "From Islamic perspective it is divinely inspired institution, with marriage at its core".(23) Almost every child is born and raised by a family. Unlike other species the human infant is not able to take care of itself for a long period after birth due to weakness and incapacity. Human infants need especial care and support to grow up to become a mature and capable adult. It is the sole responsibility of parents to raise and nourish them until they are ready to manage their life independently. In the Past, the kin based family structure had certain kind of norms that was valued and respected deeply. These kinds of traditional family comprise of father, mother, siblings and closed relative (grant parents and uncles and their kids), normally lived together. Respect to elders was a key to maintain harmonious relationship among them and elders would set a family rules to be followed by others. "Elderly parents are respected on account of their life experiences and their hierarchic positions with in the family unite". (24) The oldest from father side as a head of family by tradition was responsible to make family decisions. This kind of family structure highly favored and promoted almost in all kind of Islamic society. Islamic ideology is great advocator of such establishment.

Families in Islamic nations are facing many challenges. White marriage has created an unprecedented challenge to Islamic countries that are struggling to shelter youth from cultural envisions. From their perspective Islamic family values are significant part of Islamic philosophy which has been targeted by western's media for many decades. The course of ideological battles between Islam and West is shifting in favor of the West and Islamic nations are losing their youths to western countries. The discourse of youth's irresistible desire to modernism and western cultural values has been one the widely discussed topics for last three decades in Iran. Government's plans to counter youth's deviation from Islamic family values, has been ineffective and the trend of cohabitation as sign of deviation from these values is unstoppable and continues to become more visible, forcing officials to acknowledge it openly. "With about 60% of the population younger than 30, cohabitation is inevitable in Iran, according to Nina Ansary, an expert on women's rights in the Islamic Republic. And although the official rhetoric is hard-line, a significant portion of Iranian society is more sophisticated and less hidebound than the ruling establishment. (25)

One of the most important factors that weakened Iranian family foundation and undermined its traditional structure was new generation's access to western promoted democratic values, needless to acknowledge the role of global media on youth's inclination to western culture. The accelerating process of globalization eliminated nation's

cultural boundaries and empowered youths on other nation's cultural values that is deferent from their own. Close to two and half decades, youth of Iran are experiencing two distinctive life styles, Islamic and Western.

Youth has to deal with these two contradicting ideals that only created a state of dilemma and confusion. They are raised in religious families of ultraconservative society that deeply respect traditionalism and expect children to behave in accordance with Islamic laws and traditional norms. They are also exposed to massive cultural diversifications providing them with an attractive not necessarily the best one but an alternative, difficult for young people to refuse. Kids' daily observation of their parent's attachment to religious values one hand and their own inclination to western values one the other hand became a socio-Islamic satire deepening their confusion.

Traditionalism can influence youth decision to become an ignorant of their native cultural values and to adopt western life style. One good example is boy's preference to marry a virgin girl instead of his long term girlfriend, despite the fact that they don't know each other well enough to marry.

It is hard to dismiss the prevailing internal conflict that cohabitant youths are dealing with, a guilty feeling that holds them responsible against breaking ethical and religious norms. Even though they aren't true believers of such philosophy but just being stigmatized by their close relatives and feeling alienated by their own family members put them in awkward position of guilt and shame. Internal conflict does not emerge through confrontation between rights and wrongs; it is all about hanging from a tree at night in the middle of juggle where the approaching dangers are invisible for you to see. It is all about unknown variables that are affecting your life. It is about being an individual born & raised in east and guilty of wishing to live like western.

**Conclusion.** In Iran as an Islamic society and as a traditional community, youths are actively seeking a partner by following modern and Western rituals. Dating has never been a common practice in Iran since 1979 Revolution. Young Muslim men and women are strongly encouraged to marry as soon as possible, since the family is recognized as the foundation of Islamic society. It is relatively important to recognize that western cultural invasions isn't the only reason for emergence of White marriage, the growing trend of youth cohabiting outside wed log reveals the fact that youth's other and more important complications are infect intertwined with marriage related problems, making it hard for Iranian officials to dismiss some of the other factors such as economic conditions, parental restrictions and regressive traditional customs, there for Iranian officials has to pay close attention to what drives youths to the edge and what transformed them to government labeled disobediences that are willing to engage in such risky practice.

Family values and any other guiding principles to help kids grow wiser and stronger are important, if these factors aren't demonized by radicalisms. Our traditional family values is weakened and lost the battle against westerns. Today youth has no respect to these religiously and traditionally oriented family values that offer many advantages including stability, coherence, physical and psychological support. Family values are no longer key factor to youth's decision on marriage. They feel pressured by parents that are strongly emphasis traditionalism over western modernism. Parents are losing their battle to the children who prefer white marriage over traditional marriage for few distinct reasons. First, youth of information century has completely different interpretation of marriage as foundation to build family. Marriage for them is not an ultimate goal; it is an optional commitment which could take place any time in their life. They don't believe in pre-marriage preparation and marriage customs that are expensive. But for past generation marriage was a well-respected entity which was a prime priority. Everything was evolving around marriage; it was the strongest motivation moving them forward. Second, youths do not see marriage as the only option to have family. They do not perceive it as the only fundamental base for living together. Modernism presented them with more preferable options, less expensive and more practical in modern sense. Third, they are less tolerant to marriage responsibilities. Because marriage is not just unification of two people to make children, it is a commitment that comes with huge responsibility that our youth refuse to experience it. Fourth, having multiple sex partners that internet has been huge help on boosting its nationwide expansion. It seems too hard for youths to pass over the temporarily pleasure that multiple sex partners provides.

Traditionalist claims that, marriage prospectively serves many purposes. From conservative point of view, it encourages youth to get married which will keep them away from getting in relations that are forbidden by Islamic laws and from legal point view it helps youth from breaking Sharia based family laws and from cultural point of view it promotes positive face of Islamic Iran as the numbers of youth's deviation from traditional and religious values are increasing. White marriage is a path to temporarily pleasure; it lacks strong commitment to make family. The opponents of traditional marriage are reluctant to engage in a permanent relationship that limits their free sexual activities in addition to weakening their strength and confidence for long term commitments.

White marriage did not just developed overnight, it was expected because it has rooted in paradoxical life styles that have been emerged through confrontations of east verses west, both ideologically and stylistically.

So finally, family value regardless of it theoretical origin is fundamental in steering the family ship faced with highly charged waves of social threats that consistently destabilize the tranquility of life on the earth. These threats is no longer local or specific to one nation or one particular ethnic, religion, it is universal starching from east to west. From small poor country that farms opium (Afghanistan) to very wealthy nation (United States of America). So we should not discriminate against "value system" that is helpful to human society on the bases of ideological division among nations of the world, because we live in extremely globalized world and the world is becoming too small to build wall in between countries.

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## ROLE, RULES AND PLACE OF DISTINCTION BETWEEN INTENTIONAL TORT AND NEGLIGENCE TORT IN TORT LAW

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**Abstract.** The issues of intentional torts and negligence torts and the distinction of their respective legal judgements are usually discussed under the general title of harmful action. The current essay has been devoted to the explanation of the idea that the correct place of the debate of the division of the way of causing harms into direct and indirect in the logic of civil liability is intentional tort and the normal strategy adopted by the legal experts will lead to major mistakes in judgement elicitation and illogicality of the theory of civil liability.

**Key words:** Civil Liability, Intentional Tort and Negligence Tort, Rule of Intentional Tort, Harmful Action, Causation Relationship, Guarantee, Damage.

**Introduction.** Civil liability as an independent and coherent branch of law does not have a long record within Iranian law. In jurisprudence and the codes driven from it, there are various judgements regarding the causing damage outside the contractual relations that have been touched upon in a cursory manner in the sections of guarantee, ransoms