

**SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CAUSES OF CRIME AMONG THE FEMALE  
(A CASE STUDY IN DISTRICT AND CENTRAL JAIL FAISALABAD)**

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**ABSTRACT**

This study was designed to investigate the social and economic causes of crime among those females who were under lock in the District and central jail Faisalabad. The present study explores that poverty, unemployment in spouse, spousal conflicts, interference of law; illiteracy, honor killing, broken homes, old enmity and financial problems which are the major causes of committing the crime among females. This study was conducted in the District and central jail Faisalabad during the period 2009-10. The whole population of the female prisoners in District and central jail Faisalabad was one hundred and fifty that had been taken as a sample. Simple percentage was applied to measure the central tendency of the respondents' responses about the causes and the types of the crime. Moreover, Chi- square test was used to examine the association between certain explanatory and dependent variables. Chi- square test proved that lower level of education and lower income group respondents were generally involved in the various types of crimes.

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