

## **PAKISTAN: CASES OF ARMED VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, JUNE 2008**

### **SWABI: Man kills wife, two daughters for 'honour'**

June 5: A farmer killed in the name of honour his wife and two daughters in his house the Jalbai village, 22 kilometres from here, on Thursday.

Maluk, having the support of his son Babar, allegedly opened fire on his wife Faraqat and 15-year old daughter Fahima suspecting they had illicit relations with some people.

It seemed that three-year-old Aayesha, who was also killed in the incident, was in her mother's lap when her father opened indiscriminate fire, police said

Police have registered an FIR against the man and his son. They are said to have raided different places, but no arrest has been made so far.

### **Woman allegedly shot dead by nephew**

A married woman was shot dead on Thursday at her residence in Yousuf Goth in Saeedabad. She was allegedly killed by her nephew as a result of a domestic quarrel.

The Saeedabad police have identified the victim as 30-year-old Naseema, wife of Nadar Hussain. Naseema sustained six bullet wounds which proved fatal.

The police said that her nephew, Jawed, allegedly shot at her and absconded after committing the crime. Naseema was taken to the Civil Hospital Karachi (CHK) where doctors pronounced her dead upon arrival.

The police believed that the victim and Jawed's mother had quarreled a day earlier. The two families shared the house. The quarrel allegedly provoked Jawed who ostensibly shot at Naseema and injured her before fleeing.

The Saeedabad Police, on a complaint filed by the victim's brother-in-law, Ghulam Shabbir, registered an FIR (No. 212/08) for Naseema's murder. The report was lodged against Jawed under Section 302 of the PPC. The deceased hailed from Larkana.

### **MARDAN: Boy, girl killed in the name of honour'**

MARDAN, June 3: A girl and a boy were allegedly gunned down by the father of the girl in the name of honour at Bakri Banda here on Tuesday, family sources claimed.

The sources said that a teenaged girl, daughter of Khaista Khan, and her alleged lover had eloped from Bakri Banda three days back to Punjab.

Father of the girl located and got them back to the village by telling them that they had committed no wrong, the sources said adding that on reaching the village three days ago, Khaista Khan, Gul Khan (uncle of the girl) and Mushtaq (her brother) shot and killed both and threw their bodies at a deserted area of the village.

Later, the Saddar police found the bodies and started investigation.

### **SHIKARPUR: Groom's mother dies in wedding party attack**

May 27: A woman was killed while four other people injured when a group of eight armed men attacked and opened fire at a wedding party in village Qaimuddin Labano in the Lakhi Ghulam Shah area on Tuesday.

Ms Dadli, the mother of bridegroom, was killed on the spot and Aijaz Ahmed Chohan, the bridegroom, Ali Nawaz Chohan, Riaz Ahmed Chohan and Ms Zakiya were injured in the firing.

The motive behind the attack was said to be a matrimonial dispute. No FIR was registered till the filing of this report.

### **KHAIRPUR: Armed men kidnap woman**

KHAIRPUR, May 26: Six armed men kidnaped a woman from her house in Shaikh village near Ahmedabad in the Kotdiji area late on Sunday night.

Irshad Shaikh, the father of kidnapped woman, told journalists on Monday that some influential people were involved in the kidnapping of his daughter Khanamzadi.

Meanwhile, a bullet-riddled body was found in Faiz Wah (canal) in the jurisdiction of B-section police in Khairpur on Sunday.

The area people spotted the body floating in the canal and informed the police which recovered it. The deceased was identified as Manthar Shaikh, 35.

### **Two women fall victim to domestic violence**

Karachi: Two women were killed in separate incidents reported Monday within the jurisdictions of the Sir Syed and the Manghopir police stations.

Thirty-five-year-old mother of seven, Hanifa, was shot dead by her brother-in-law because he suspected that she had illicit relations with her neighbour. The police said that the incident was reported in Sector-7C, North Karachi. The accused, Ghulam Rasool, surrendered to the police after killing Hanifa.

Ghulam Rasool said that he, along with his brother, Ghulam Nabi, lived in a house in Sector-7C, North Karachi. The siblings were labourers by profession. Ghulam Nabi married Hanifa about eight years ago.

Over the past five years, news of Hanifa's affair with her neighbour, Yaseen, had been making the rounds but Ghulam Nabi and Ghulam Rasool refused to believe these rumours. On Monday, when Ghulam Nabi went for his day's labour, Ghulam Rasool said he was unwell and did not accompany him.

While he was home, Rasool said, Hanifa told him that she was going to the market to purchase vegetables. As soon she left the house, he started following her stealthily. Two lanes from the house, Rasool said that he saw Hanifa meeting Yaseen. When the two saw him, they started running.

Ghulam Rasool confessed that he first killed Hanifa with two bullets. Then he killed Yaseen, and surrendered to the police. In a separate incident, a young girl was killed by her husband over a domestic dispute in the Manghopir police limits. Twenty-year-old Nazo was shot dead by her husband, Bacha Rehman, in Mehmood Goth, police said, adding that the accused escaped after committing the offence. The couple's family said that Rehman, a worker at a marble factory, had two wives. Nazo was his second wife. The couple was married four to five years ago, and had three children. Rehman quarreled with Nazo continuously, and was also physically violent with her, family members said.

On Monday morning, they said, Rehman came home and started arguing with Nazo, after which she went inside her room and locked it from inside. Rehman broke the latch of a window in the room, and started using abusive language towards Nazo. Another argument ensued, and Rehman pulled out his handgun, shot and killed Nazo, and fled.

The police were informed later. They reached the house, broke down the door to Nazo's room, and shifted her body to a hospital. The police said that raids were carried out for Rehman's arrest. None were successful. A case was, however, lodged at the police station.

### **Policeman kills girl**

SUKKUR, May 15: Sukkur police registered a case against Inspector Aftab Pathan on Thursday, on the alleged charges of killing a girl in New Goth.

Reports said that on Wednesday afternoon, accused police Inspector Aftab Pathan entered the house of his former wife, a lady police constable whose daughter from her first husband was alone. She asked Inspector Aftab to leave upon which he got furious, shot her dead and fled from the scene.

Mohammad Younis maternal uncle of the deceased girl got a case registered against Inspector Aftab Pathan with "A" section police.

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