

Paper #1: The Offence Cycle

Sexual offenses are one of the most severe crimes committed in today's contemporary society. There are many causes related to sexual offenses and we need to inspect each of them. We need to understand the symptoms and try to provide solutions that will help in solving these issues.

The governmental organizations and the law enforcement agencies need to implement laws and take serious actions in order to decrease the increasing amount of sexual offenses incidents. This paper shall even provide solution from the Biblical perspective in order to cure the mental illness of the culprits (Becerra-Garcia, 2012). Finally, there are certain recommendations for the government, the medical organizations, the schools, and the society as a whole that will help in curbing the issues of sexual offenses.

Discussion

The World Health Organization (WHO) has defined certain factors that could be considered as the motivation for the offenders. These factors lead to perpetration of sexual violence and rape incidents. These factors include ideologies of male sexual entitlement, beliefs in family honor and sexual purity, and weak legal sanctions for sexual violence.

However, one cannot find any strong evidence or theory that could explain us clearly the motivation for sexual offenses or the motives of the rapists that are indulge into such activities. Some of the researchers have finalized certain factors that turn out to be the motivation for the offenders to indulge into such incidents.

These include a desire for power, anger, sexual gratification in tandem with evolutionary proclivities, and sadism etc. American clinical psychologist David Lisak mentions that some of the convicted offenders were found to be angry at women (Jugluic, 2008). They wanted to

dominate over them by controlling females. The basic characteristics displayed by them included disinhibited, impulsive, hyper-masculine, anti-social, and less empathetic by nature.

Bob Hansen is one of the criminals taken into consideration for the study. He was charged for an involvement in the case of rape and murder of at least 15 women in the Alaskan wilderness between 1980 and 1983. His case has been a matter of consideration for the researchers and policy makers within United States and in all other parts of Europe. The film industry also took his life as an example to include and produce negative sense in their movies.

The researchers also find a lot of things to learn, by studying his life and the aspects associated with it. The medical science provides a detailed insight about the possible reasons of the murders. The medical researchers suggest to guide the offender or culprit in such a way that he would at least come out of the depressed situation.

Crime Scene

The first criminal incident took place in 1980, when Bob Hansen met a 25-year old woman. Bob Hansen wanted to spend time with her, and hence, he rented a room in the Ambassador Hotel the following evening. Bob Hansen mentions that he had no intention of killing or murdering her, but only wanted to share a drink and then have an intercourse with her. However, the next morning, Bob Hansen discovered that the lady was dead and was lying on his bed. He had no idea regarding how the lady was killed. Although, not to inform the police or other concerned authorities, he thought of disposing her body in a large suitcase.

The next morning, he chopped down her head, legs, and arms into pieces so that they can be handled in an easy way. The flesh was then placed in a plastic bag. The head was boiled in a mixture of bleach and Soilex with a view to retain the skull. He wanted to stimulate himself, and

wanted to get sensual pleasures out of it. It was indeed a very dreadful incident, wherein the murder was done very brutally.

This crime has been selected to identify the mental thinking and mindset of Hansen, and to what extent he can go up to in committing a crime. It is important, to understand such thinking, since it can be very dangerous for the entire society. Such people do not know what they are doing; and, hence, such criminals can be considered to be the patients of psychology.

One needs to identify their motives so that one can first treat them from the psychological perspective, and then take legal actions against them. However, in cases of extremity, the court of law needs to take severe actions against the culprits to curb the criminal events in future. Crime in this scene can be defined as the most dreadful sequence of actions committed by the criminal against the victim so as to fulfill the inner motives (McClain & Garrity, 2011).

Theoretical Framework

Crime is considered as an important concept to be understood among human beings. Humans are basically social beings who like to live in the form of a society. Criminologists avoid defining the term crime explicitly because its definition depends upon the values and behaviour of a particular society.

In general terms we can say that it is an action associated with the human behaviour which is considered as transgression of a prohibition subjected to a specific society and its practised legal system. We would like to understand the acts of Hansen on the basis of biological, social, psychological and conflicting theories that are either directly or indirectly associated with the crime.

The criminology theories try to explain the reasoning behind commitment of crimes by people. These theories help to develop a deep understanding regarding facts that provide

motivation to the people to commit crimes. In doing so, they also break the social norms and its fabric which impacts the overall social behaviours and values.

Social control theories, on the other hand, assume and consider the fact that human beings are to err and commit sins or crimes. The social bond or social control theory emphasizes on the fact why an individual does not commit a crime. Thus, these assumptions lead towards the point that individuals have tendency to violate the laws instead of focusing on the fact that individuals should follow the laws or they have tendency to follow these norms strictly (Wyatt, Beirne, & South, 2014). It is a fact that human beings normally tend to abide and follow to the laws.

Dr. William Glasser proposed a noticeable Rational Theory that explains the behaviors of the criminals and certain desires that they want to fulfill to indulge into criminal behavior and activities. This theory explains the biological behaviors of the criminal and tries to relate them with the given violations.

The desires for greed, revenge, anger, lust, and jealousy stimulate the inner reactions within the body, which further forces the individual to commit such crimes (Cohn, Farrington, & Iratzoqui, 2014).

Negative Consequences

The researchers have found that the victims of these cases are exposed to psychological stressors. They suffer social alienation, social exclusion, stigmatization, and intolerance in their local communities (Kaufman & Crawford, 2011).

The government is not at all offering any assistance under these circumstances, and hence, it becomes all the more difficult for the victims to improve upon their conditions. The perpetrators expose the victims to the highest possible extent, and thus, these victims have to

face induced fear, threats, emotional and physical violence. They use several techniques of coercion during recruitment, initiation, and indoctrination.

Recommendations

Several anti-trafficking and NGO organizations can work for the services of the people in this direction, and can implement several aggressive strategies and laws against those who are into sexual offenses. The government thereby needs to implement strict laws in order to catch the key culprits. They need to prevent all forms of sexual violence and offenses in order to protect any individual of this society.

All the medical organizations will be provided with the information on sexual offenses. Each doctor shall require treating the victims from the medical perspective. All these patients shall be provided not only medical assistance, but will be provided with greater free services. In addition, there will be no special procedures to be followed by the family members of these victims (Siegel, 2014). Hence, this will help in saving time as well as cost.

It is important to curb corruption at the local and state level within the government organization. This can be achieved with the help of Special Representatives who will be working only for this purpose. There will be special cell that will be working on this task, and the representatives will be having rights to interrogate any government or authoritative officials. The government can further deploy the 3P Anti-Sexual-Offenses Policy Index, which will measure the overall effectiveness of the policies that were deployed for curbing rape activities (Jacobs, 2014).

Conclusion

Under such situations, it is very important for the Court of Law and the Criminal Justice System to take appropriate steps in order to prevent such criminal incidents. The role of

healthcare specialists, the psychologists, the society, and the role of active citizens is of high importance in reducing and preventing such criminal issues within a given society (Maxfield & Babbie, 2014).

The research indicates that long-time depression often results in taking such criminal steps and eventually committing crimes. One thereby, needs to at least cure the depressive mood, and improve his or her inner motivation. It will help them to get their confidence back, and work like any other normal human being. He or she will then start functioning in a manner similar to the one he or she used to do before being affected to depression.