

Women from Imam Khomeini's viewpoint

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The Essence

Most of the times women did not achieve their human rights, sometimes were the plaything of capitalists and/or adulterers and some other times were traded as a kind of commodity but as Imam his holiness says Islam uplifted the status of women so that introduced Hazrat Zahra to the world of humanity as a role model lady and a perfect human. The magnificence of the role of women in society and education can be seen in following descriptions: 1. the importance of mother's role in the right education of offspring. In Imam's view rightness or corrupt of children who grow up on their mother's lap is a cause for rightness or corruption of the society, Imam takes mothers accountable for their children's deed.

2. The importance and dignity of Motherhood is the other most positive point for women which necessitates respecting mothers for the labouring and the hard job they do. From Imam's angle learning and teaching was an obligation for men and women as he established schools for teaching women political science and advised women to self – refinement along with learning and studying.

Women's activities of political kind is divided into two period of pre and post Revolution and Imam recalled the role of women in constitution movement good as well as their participation in tobacco movement. Also wide participation of women in revolution's demonstrations before victory of, from Imam's view is a sign of their high activity in politics.

In general women had three types of roles in triumph of the revolution: 1. Of morale change and high spirit and setting them free from their miserable condition of life under Pahlavi's regime. 2. Being fore runners in the revolution and pioneering of, while encouraging men. 3. Their presence in demonstrations and taking share in the movement.

Imam from the economic aspects also believed in a great role for women that as a member of the society do a job and participate in economic tasks and help the men to find solutions for economic problems. But he believed in motherhood as the first job of the women and to work out of home from his view husband's permission was necessary. About sacred defence [war] he believed participation of women in the task is necessary and they must be educated in military affairs, while he always admired the role of women behind the front line of the war as well as their readiness for martyrdom.
