Sexual Perversions

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Sexual Perversions or Paraphilias

Sexual paraphilias are disorder of sexual preferences in which sexual arousal occurs persistently and significantly in response to objects, which are not a part of normal sexual arousal.

In other terms, it is the achievement of sexual gratification by means other than natural sexual intercourse.

Sadism

 The term is derived from Marquis de Sade, who wrote novels regarding the practice of sadism

In sadism, the person gets sexual gratification (sexual arousal and orgasm) by inflicting pain, torture and humiliation to other partner.

- It is commonly found in male partners and he may bite, whip, beat or ill-treat the partner to achieve sexual arousal.
- Lust murder in extreme case of sadism a person may kill his partner and killing of partner acts as stimulus to sadist for achieving sexual gratification.

Prof. V.V.Pillay had quoted a sentence of Ted Bundy – a serial rapist and murderer in Textbook of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology which reads as "sometimes when I am doing it with a woman, I get this urge to hurt her, to draw her blood. I just can't help it" This sentence aptly reflects the mental make-up of these persons.

Masochism

- It is opposite to sadism
- Here the person gets sexual gratification from being bitten, tortured or humiliated by partner. He often asks his partner to beat him or inflict pain.
- It was first described by an Austrian novelist, Leopold Von Sacher Masoch (1836–1895), hence the name "masochism".

Fetishism

- It is usually found in males
- In this sexual deviation, the male experiences sexual gratification by seeing some part of body of a female or some article belonging to her for example sandal, scalp hairs, inner garments etc.
- The fetish person contravenes law at times while stealing these objects. He may commit violence and criminal act while taking that object.

Transvestism (Eonism)

 In this deviation, there is desire to wear the clothes of opposite sex. For example a male may have desire to wear female dress.

 In some obsessed persons, they may even change their sex, by surgery, to be part of opposite sex.

Exhibitionism

- In exhibitionism, the sexual pleasure is obtained by indecent exposure of the genital organ in public place.
- It may be a willful and intentional act, mostly found in males. These persons expose their penis to women or girls.
- It is a criminal act and is included as an obscene act and is punishable under Sec 294 of IPC. Imprisonment up to 3 months or fine or both may be awarded.

Voyeurism (Scoptophilia)

- In this deviation, sexual pleasure is obtained by repeatedly seeing (or looking or peeping) the other person while undressing, bathing or doing sexual intercourse.
- Peeping Tom is the name given to male voyeurs who repeatedly do such activities.

Myxoscopia

Sexual pleasure obtained by watching sexual intercourse of other person or couple. It is a type of voyeurism.

Troilism

▶ It is extreme form of voyeurism where husband get sexual gratification by watching or seeing his wife doing sexual intercourse with another person. At times, the husband forces or induces his wife to do sexual intercourse with another man to achieve satisfaction.

Frotteurism

In this deviation, sexual satisfaction is obtained by touching the body or body parts of other person. For example in a crowded city bus, a male may rub his genital organ with buttocks of female standing with him or a person may touch private parts of female.

This act is punishable under Sec 290 of IPC.

Necrophagia

- Sexual pleasure is obtained by eating flesh of a dead person.
- ▶ It is extreme degree of sadism.

Necrophilia

- In this condition, sexual pleasure is obtained by doing sexual intercourse with dead bodies.
- Apart from other sections, the act is punishable under Sec 297 of IPC for causing indignity to human corpse.

Masturbation

- In this condition, sexual gratification is obtained by deliberate self-stimulation of own genital organ.
- ▶ It is offense when practiced in public place.

Satyriasis

Excessive sexual desire and drive in males.

Nymphomania

Excessive sexual desire and drive in females.

Pornographomania

Sexual pleasure obtained by watching or referring pornographic material or literature.

Erotographomania

Sexual pleasure is obtained by obscene and vulgar writings in public places. For example, writing vulgar things in public urinals, train toilets etc.

Coprolalia

Sexual pleasure obtained by using obscene and vulgar language in public.

Undism

Sexual satisfaction obtained by watching the act of urination of another person.

Coprophilia

Sexual gratification achieved by smelling or touching fecal matter (stool) of opposite sex.

Ecoutage

Sexual pleasure obtained by hearing sounds of love-making or sexual intercourse.

Pygmalionism

Sexual gratification achieved by watching or handling nude statues of opposite sex.

Gerontophilia or Gerontosexuality

The term gerontophilia is used to denote a specific sexual inclination towards the elderly.

Bobbit Syndrome

In this type of perversion, the female partner amputes the penis of her male partner with a sharp cutting weapon for sexual gratification.

Pedophilia

- A pedophile is an adult who repeatedly engages in sexual activities with pre-pubescent children.
- ▶ It may be heterosexual pedophile or homosexual pedophile

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