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WOMEN ALSO ABUSE OTHER WOMEN AND MEN IN GBV

HON. MURAMBIWA: Mr Speaker Sir. I rise to support motion on domestic violence that was moved by Hon. Bhuda-Masara. Domestic violence is occurring in different places. There are occasions when we see men abusing women & also vice versa



HON. MURAMBIWA: There is the violence of women against women. For example, we have witnessed that in the families if a child has failed at school, the husband tells the wife that your child has failed at school. [@WiPSUZim](#) [@wlsazim](#) [@lilomatic](#) [@advocatamahere](#) [@GMCZimbabwe](#)

HON. MURAMBIWA: If the child is not properly married, the father accuses the mother of failing to look after the child properly and give the blame on the mother forgetting that parenting is a dual process.

HON. MURAMBIWA: Both parents have a equal obligation to the upbringing of the child. In the end, this will hurt the woman. Men should introspect and ensure that they do not abuse women in such a way.

HON. MURAMBIWA: If there is a problem in the family, the husband and the wife should put their heads together to come up with a better solution so that the family can live peacefully and in harmony.

HON. MURAMBIWA: Furthermore, we find that there are some women who also abuse the husbands to the extent of men committing suicide and I know of a certain case where it happened.

HON. MURAMBIWA: If a woman is married and becomes a step mother, we are aware of the fact that the husband that she is married to has children from the first marriage and she would abuse the children. The peace is disturbed at home.

HON. MURAMBIWA: The mother who would have left the homestead, even if she were to be married in a second marriage, will not be at peace because of the ill-treatment that her children are experiencing from the stepmother.

HON. MURAMBIWA: We also observe that a woman would abuse another woman. There are women who suspect that particular lady is in love with her husband & they burn her with boiling oil but the woman was also proposed to the same manner that you were equally proposed to by your husband

HON. MURAMBIWA: That is uncalled for. We wonder how we can put an end to such incidences.

HON MURAMBIWA: We also observe that when women are sitted wherever they are and another woman passes through, better dressed than them, they start name-calling and gossiping that she is a prostitute and she wants to take their husbands. This is a problematic issue.

HON. MURAMBIWA: Domestic violence cases should attract very deterrent sentences that are long so that we put an end to this cancer called gender violence. Those are my views on this motion. I thank you, Mr Speaker Sir.