



IMPACT OF SURROGACY ON INDIAN TRADITIONAL SOCIETY BY SOCIOLOGICAL STUDY

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Abstract

Our Indian society is most traditional society. Indian peoples are very traditional. Surrogacy is new thing for Indian society. As we know India is a country of villages. India is called to be a country of villages. In fact, it is estimate that about three fourth of our people live in village. Therefore, the reliability of rural development arises for the progress of the country. in rural area there is little problem of accepting surrogacy because lack of awareness, lack of knowledge, etc. these famous statements by Mahatma Gandhi is being challenged by urbanists today who see a shining future for India in its cities. As surrogacy is gaining popularity in society, it is also ushering changes and transformation in family structure. The family relation as parentage and other social institutions, ethics, religious tenets of society. The purpose of research paper is to look at the impact of surrogacy on the Indian society. This research paper based on secondary data. Descriptive research design has been used for this research paper.

Keywords : marriage , child identity , family structure , knowledge

INTRODUCTION

Our Indian society is a traditional society as well as patriarchal society . In Indian society only men have the right to take decisions. Adopting surrogacy is a decision of both men and women. As we know surrogacy is a new thing our Indian society. In Latin 'surrogacy 'means a substitute a person appointed to act in the place of another (2014) . As per the blacks Laws Dictionary surrogacy means the process of carrying and delivering a child for another person by Oliphant RE (2007) . The New Encyclopedia Britannica defines surrogacy as a practice in which a woman bears a child for a couple unable to produce children in the usual way (2014). According to Warnock Report (1984) HF&E , surrogacy is the practices whereby one woman carries a child for another with the intension that the child should be handed over after birth . In a society , no human can live detached , each person is related to the other . Morality is all about the the ideas of relationship that is shared between person , and we act immorally when we harm others . According to Emannuel kant , a human being being is end in himself , he cannot be used as a means to achieve the end , if a human is used as a means then the act is used as a means then the act is immoral. Any principle would be consider as moral when it can be applied universally . Hence if surrogacy harms those relationship which contributes to our flourishing as human persons then it must be considered morally wrong .

HISTORCAL ASPECTS OF SURROGACY

Surrogacy has been referred to since antiquity. Babylonian law and customs allowed this practice to avoid otherwise inevitable divorce (1992). The earliest known description of surrogacy is claimed to be the servant Hagar begetting a child for the childless Sarah through her husband Abraham describe in the biblical Book of Genesis by Lindeman, E (1997). In Bible, Rachel asked her maid Bilhah to conceive a child with her husband Jacob. The concept of surrogacy

is also found in Hindu mythology, as despite taking birth from the womb of Rohini, Balram is regarded as the womb of Rohini, Balram is regarded as the son of mother Devika and elder brother of Lord Krishna. From middle age to modern times, reproductive services have been provided for fee.

Surrogacy raise patriarchy system

Surrogacy represent a patriarchy in society as it seek to promote the patriarchal line of ancestral Lineage, inheritance and authority derived from the genetic or biological connection with the intending father. Gena Correa, in her book 'The Mother Machine' opines that surrogacy is part of a patriarchal conspiracy to control women's bodies and reproductive(1985).

Impact of surrogacy on family structure

According to resource group for women and health (2014), surrogacy by opening up the family to single and queer couples has changed the constitution of family surrogacy has changed the established heterosexual parented family as single parent or homosexual family.(2013)

Impact of Surrogacy on marriage, family relationship

As surrogate children may be born with or without necessary genetic connection with the parent or the husband and wife hence surrogate children may be related or may be partially related to both. surrogacy challenges the social construction of family and motherhood if a woman is willing to gestate a child in order to give it away to others this itself is un natural of motherhood by Linda Krishna. according to Dasgupta (2014) marriage and parenthood are God ordained relationship surrogacy introduce a third party interference with a natural process thereby violation of Gods will. Many religious groups deem surrogacy as mechanical adultery unnatural process.

Identity crisis

Surrogate children may face emotional difficulties and take to rejection of a life after learnig about his /her biological identity. surrogacy might also lead to incest of a sort. as the surrogate child might marry another offspring of the surrogate mother.

Misused of surrogacy

Various types of research have shown that surrogacy is being misuse as various actress and elite class adopt surrogacy to maintain their fitness. It also does not consider cases where women might not want to go through pregnancy due to career related commitment. Consider the case of a sportswoman, whose career span tends to consider with her child bearing age. In such a case, the woman must make a choice between taking a break from the already limited active time in family.

Conclusion

It is clear from all above facts that surrogacy affects marriage, family and family relations. surrogacy promote homosexuality. Surrogacy represent a patriarchy in society as it seek to promote the patriarchal line of ancestral Lineage, inheritance and authority derived from the genetic or biological connection with the intending father.

Suggestions

- Government should make such an arrangement in which marriage is mandatory for adopting surrogacy.
- Government should make such an arrangement in which the husband and wife who are not able to give birth to a child, they should adopt surrogacy.

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