ABSTRACT

PROBLEMS PERSISTENT IN NRI MARRIAGES IN INDIA

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Abstract: With the government introducing new laws about various other topics, we still lack protection of interest of citizens in situations like that of NRI marriages. However, the government is initiating Non- Government Organizations (NGOs) in India and abroad which can guide Indian men and women who are married to NRIs and residing abroad. They offer counselling, legal advice and moral support in the event of divorce and separation. Even if the divorce is taking place abroad, it would be good to appoint an attorney who is proficient in dealing with Indian divorce laws related to NRIs. This paper gives an insight into the fact that such marriages need a proper conflict resolution mechanism with legal sanctions to avoid extreme unpleasant situations between warring families- in this case between resident and non-resident parties fighting the legal battle. This paper focuses on the issues and concerns faced by Indian women in transnational marriages or what are popularly known as NRI marriages in India. It discusses how the Indian laws, the courts and women try to deal with the difficulties and problems relating to issues of abuse, abandonment and violence and also gives an insight into the provisions that should be provided for the welfare of the victims. The article showcases and analyses the problems that are existent in NRI marriages with the help of various articles and case laws as support. However, the research is limited to the issues/concerns and foreign courts granting a divorce i.e. dissolution of an NRI marriage. The various causes that could be the root of such hurdles in an NRI marriage are also given importance. The study stretches out to discuss the provisions provided by the Indian Government to protect the rights of young men and women entering into such marriages as there are not many laws defined to do the same.

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