The Issue of Killing The Dogs In The Context of Animals Rights In Islamic Law

Abstract: Undoubtedly, a certain type of animals which the human being benefits the most is the dogs, because of their domestic animal and having some special abilities. In this respect, one of the main issues that has always been hotly debated is the matter of the killing the dogs. Today, due to the increasing effects of animal rights movements, this matter has gained even more intensity and importance. The presence of some narrations in authentic hadith sources relating to the killing of dogs has given rise to negative judgments about Islam in certain circles. In this study, these narrations on the subject were subjected to examination and evaluation with their contexts from different angles. As a result, it was concluded that the narrations about the harmfulness of animals that are unique to the legitimate conditions and also considering some other positive narrations does not constitute a violation of animal rights, and they should be interpreted according to certain conditions of their period.

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