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Abstract

Mukhtar Mai's memoir, *In the Name of Honour* enshrouds the oppressive masculinist mechanism that subordinates the role of the women. Patriarchal institutions like Muslim law, religion, and Castism subordinate the agency of women. But, amidst the suffocative environment Mukhtaran Bibi stands against the conformist patriarchal mechanism by educating illiterate women. The female character is dominant as she posses resisting nature towards domination. Despite the insurmountable hardships, she is able to challenge the society. By projecting Mukhtaran's resistance despite numerous difficulties she faces, the writer reveals that female resistance is necessary to overcome such suppression. Through her struggle, the female proves her power over the centered orthodox religion and traditional castism. Moreover, by showing violence and resistance together, she wants to appeal the illiterate women to be aware of their rights.

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