



Research Note

**Practical Note on Legal Protection for Wives in Divorce
Cases Involving Sexual Violence in Indonesian Religious
Courts**

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Abstract

The abstract should be 150–200 words, single-spaced, in 12 pt Palatino Linotype. It is not a mere summary of the note or a repetition of its conclusion. Instead, the abstract should establish the practical context of the issue under discussion, outline the purpose of the note, and briefly indicate the methodological approach (if applicable). It should then highlight the main insights or findings, focusing on the practical dimensions of Islamic law in society or institutions. The abstract must also present the critical analysis offered in the note, clarifying its relevance to contemporary legal challenges or scholarly debates. Authors should include the key recommendations or implications, whether for policy, legal reform, or academic discourse. Finally, the abstract should underline the significance of the note for advancing socio-legal understanding and practice in Muslim societies. While other relevant aspects may be included, authors must remain concise and attentive to the limited space of the abstract.

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Keywords: 3–5 keywords that clearly capture the theme, issue, and scope of the practical note.



Introduction

The introduction of a practical note should clearly set out the practical issue being addressed and establish its relevance within the broader framework of Islamic law and society. Authors are expected to provide sufficient background to situate the note in its legal, social, or institutional context, demonstrating why the issue is of both practical and scholarly significance. The introduction should then articulate the rationale for focusing on this particular issue, including its implications for legal practice, judicial reasoning, or policy development in Muslim societies. It must also explicitly state the aim and scope of the note, clarifying what the contribution intends to achieve (e.g., highlighting a gap, offering a reform-orientated perspective, or sharing lessons from practice). While concise, the introduction should make a compelling case for the importance of the note, drawing attention to its potential to inform both academic debates and practical applications in the field of Islamic legal studies.

Structure: The introduction should be written in three paragraphs (approximately 500–700 words).

- **Paragraph 1 – Practical Context**
 - Explain the background of the phenomenon, case, or programme under discussion.
 - Demonstrate why this issue is relevant from a social, legal, or policy perspective.
- **Paragraph 2 – Significance within the Framework of Islamic Law**
 - Show the connection of the issue with principles, norms, or developments in contemporary Islamic law.
 - Identify the research gap or the lack of academic and/or practical attention to this issue.
- **Paragraph 3 – Purpose of the Note**
 - Explicitly state the objectives of the Practical Note (e.g., to provide policy recommendations, open scholarly debate, or document field practices).
 - Define the scope and boundaries of the note.

Background / Context

The Background / Context section should provide a concise explanation of the case, policy, or practice that forms the focus of the Practical Note. Authors are expected to situate the discussion in its immediate setting, offering sufficient descriptive detail to allow readers to understand the issue under examination. This may include relevant institutional information, policy frameworks, court practices, or community initiatives. Authors may also draw on brief data, legal documents, or observational insights to illustrate the practical dimensions of the issue. The description should remain clear and focused, avoiding unnecessary narrative, while highlighting the aspects most pertinent to Islamic law and its application. Ultimately, this section should serve as a bridge between the introduction and the analytical discussion, equipping readers with the contextual knowledge needed to follow the subsequent analysis.

Structure: The background/context is typically written in one to two paragraphs (approximately 300–500 words).

- Provide a clear and concise account of the phenomenon, case, or policy.
- Situate the issue in its legal, institutional, or social setting.
- Include brief data, documents, or observations where relevant.
- Highlight why this context is crucial for understanding the subsequent analysis.

Practical Insights / Analysis

This section is the core of a practical note, providing a concise yet critical examination of the issue under discussion. Authors should move beyond description to offer analysis grounded in relevant theories, doctrinal principles, or normative frameworks of Islamic law. The analysis should highlight key challenges, problems, or gaps observed in practice and explain their implications for legal interpretation, judicial outcomes, or policy development. Where appropriate, authors are encouraged to include comparative perspectives by referencing how similar issues are addressed in other jurisdictions, institutions, or Muslim societies.

Structure: The *Practical Insights / Analysis* section is typically written in two to three paragraphs (approximately 500–800 words).

- Provide a critical assessment of the issue, supported by theories or normative references in Islamic law.
- Identify and discuss specific challenges, limitations, or gaps in practice.

- Highlight the legal, institutional, or societal implications of these challenges.
- Where relevant, compare the practice with approaches in other contexts (e.g., different regions, countries, or schools of law).
- Maintain a clear and focused argument that links directly to the subsequent *Recommendations/Implications* section.

Recommendations / Implications

The Recommendations / Implications section should clearly outline the practical outcomes and contributions of the note. Authors are expected to formulate actionable recommendations directed at academics, policymakers, or legal practitioners, based on the insights discussed in the analysis. These recommendations should be specific, realistic, and directly linked to the practical issue under review. In addition, authors should emphasise the broader implications of the note, showing how the discussion can contribute to the development of Islamic law, judicial practice, or socio-legal reform in Muslim societies.

Structure: The *Recommendations / Implications* section is typically written in one to two paragraphs (approximately 300–500 words).

- Provide clear and concise recommendations tailored to relevant stakeholders (academics, policymakers, practitioners).
- Ensure that each recommendation flows logically from the analysis presented earlier.
- Highlight how the note's findings may influence legal reform, judicial reasoning, or policy initiatives.
- Emphasise the potential impact on strengthening Islamic law's role in addressing contemporary societal challenges.
- Keep the recommendations practical, constructive, and solution-orientated.

Conclusion

The Conclusion should provide a concise synthesis of the Practical Note, restating the main points without introducing new arguments or evidence. It should reaffirm the significance of the issue discussed, the analytical insights offered, and the practical relevance of the recommendations made. The

conclusion must highlight the contribution of the note to both scholarly debates and real-world applications of Islamic law.

Structure: The conclusion is typically written in a maximum of two paragraphs (approximately 200–300 words).

- Restate the central issue and its importance in the context of Islamic law and society.
- Summarise the key insights from the analysis and the practical recommendations provided.
- Emphasise the broader significance of the note, showing its value for academic scholarship, legal practice, and social development.
- Maintain clarity and brevity, ensuring the conclusion reinforces rather than repeats the earlier sections.

Bibliography

- A minimum of 10 academic sources (journal articles, books, or official documents).
- The citation style must follow the *Chicago 18th edition* (Author–Date, in accordance with IJIL’s policy). The complete citation and reference guide can be [\[downloaded here\]](#).

Technical Requirements

- **Length:** 2,500–5,000 words.
- **Font & Style:** Palatino Linotype, 12 pt, spacing 1.15.
- **Language:** English (British). All non-English terms must be *italicised*.
- **Similarity Check:** Maximum 15% (Turnitin).
- **Disclosure:** Any use of AI-generated text must be explicitly declared.