A Kurdish Yazidi teenager was stoned to death

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A Kurdish Yazizdi teenager was stoned to death her family in city of MOSUL

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According to a Kurdish website up to 1000 men from Yezidi Kurdish community of MOSUL city killed a deserted (run away) teenager who's only crime was running away and marry a Muslim man who she loved and later converted to his religious.

Since four months ago the girl had been given shelter by local Muslim Sheik. It was reported that in the last few days her family persuaded her to return back home convincing her that she had been forgiven by her parents and relatives for her mistake.

In a short mobile video clip which appears to have been taken by locals at seen of the murder, the girl is seen being ambushed on her way home by a group of up to 1000 men who were waiting for her to return and killed her in the most brutal way possible, by throwing large stones on her head.

The following clips show that while she is alive and crying for help she is taunted and kicked in her stomach until someone



Dua Khalil Aswad, The teenager was dragged outside by 8 or 9 men and stoned for half an hour until she died. Her boyfriend is now in hiding in fear for his life Photo: Ekurd.net/Kurdistan net Video

finishes her off by throwing a large stone on her face.

From the clips it appears that the girl was first stripped naked to symbolise that she had dishonoured her family and her Yezidi religion.

She is lying on the road naked while her smashed face is covered with blood and still breathing.

According to the website and footage from the clip a number of armed local police officers were present who in fact helped the crowd to kill the woman rather than preventing the crime.

Sometime later the Iraqi army arrived at the scene and refused anyone entry including the press.

Killing women for reasons of honour, shame and religion dose happens in regions of Kurdistan and Iraq. The above incidents are not uncommon in some of the deeply religious and traditional communities.

For long violence against women is commonly used as a political and religious weapon and as a means of social control.

There is no honour in murder

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The Yazidi or Yezidi are primarily ethnic Kurds. The origins of Yazidism are ultimately shrouded in Middle Eastern prehistory. Although the Yazidis speak Kurdish.

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