

Table 2. Association between women’s attitudes towards marital norms, justifications for a man to hit his wife and women’s right to refuse sex and physical or sexual violence (OR, 95% CI)

ATTITUDES	All women n=765	Physical violence		Sexual violence	
		OR	CI 95%	OR	CI 95%
GENDER ROLES					
Good wife obeys husband					
Disagree	42%	1		1	
Agree	58%	0.71	0.45 – 1.12	1.44*	1.01 – 2.06
Family problems should not be discussed outside					
Disagree	6%	1		1	
Agree	94%	0.56	0.24 – 1.32	0.82	0.39 – 1.71
A man should show who is the boss					
Disagree	17%	1		1	
Agree	83%	1.31	0.67 – 2.55	1.89*	1.09 – 3.26
A wife is obliged to have sex with her husband					
Disagree	19%	1		1	
Agree	81%	0.48*	0.29 – 0.80	0.82	0.53 – 1.26
Woman should be able to choose own friends					
Agree	58%	1		1	
Disagree	42%	1.32	0.83 – 2.08	0.99	0.69 – 1.41
Others outside family should intervene					
Agree	66%	1		1	
Disagree	34%	0.58*	0.34 – 0.99	0.76	0.52 – 1.11
JUSTIFICATION TO HIT					
Hitting wife is never justified	42%	1		1	
Hitting wife is justified for one reason only	39%	1.47	0.88 – 2.45	1.19	0.79 – 1.764
Hitting wife is justified for two or more reasons	16%	1.69	0.89 – 3.20	2.09*	1.30 – 3.38
JUSTIFICATION TO REFUSE SEX					
to refuse sex is justified for all four reasons	59%	1		1	
to refuse sex is justified for up to 3 reasons	31%	0.81	0.47 – 1.41	0.76	0.47 – 1.07
to refuse sex is justified for 1 reason or no reason at all	8%	2.98*	1.54 – 5.77	0.74	0.37 – 1.47