Killing is never honorable

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Re: An Ugly Truth, Barbara Kay, Nov. 17.

Barbara Kay is correct that about 90% of honor killings in Canada are a practice of Muslim societies. And of the remaining 10 percent, we have seen a lot of press coverage about such tragedies within the Punjabi Sikh community.

Rarely do we hear of such incidents in the Hindu community, and there is good reason for this. Unlike Christianity, Hinduism venerates many female deities, which infuses the religion with tolerance and gender equality. As a result, abuse of females is rare among Hindus, both in India and elsewhere.

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