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The Social Trends of the Crimes Ending With the Capital Punishment

(A Research carried out among the condemned prisoners of the Welikada prison - Sri Lanka.)

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Although the capital punishment is given by the judiciary in exceptional cases and most cases not implemented in Sri Lanka, the restraint that it is expected to wor on eole does not deter them from committing serious crime. Able to closly work at the Welikada prison with prisoners experiencing capital sentence, I realized that there should be a dialogue about them And also, increasing criminal trends, its complexity and brutal nature of the crime have created a critical issue as well as a social phobia

What are the social trends to commit such crimes even though they know that the result is capital punishment? To what extent is it suitable as a punishment? What are the opinions existing in the society, for and against the death sentence and the social trends of such grave crimes?

How will it effect to the criminal trends of the society if the capital punishment is implemented?

In the global as well as in Sri Lankan history, what are the mileposts of implementing capital punishment and related crimes with its expansion?

Finding a methodology to minimize the social trends of crimes which result the death sentence, even though they know that they get the capital punishment as a result of their crimes.

The theory of alienation is selected through critical realism to socialize these complicated issues.

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