Research paper on Eating Disorder – Bulimia and Anorexia Nervosa

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ABSTRACT

Learning about eating disorder may very sensitively have to focus on psychology of human being about there thought process. It classified based on “feeding and eating disorder” in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorder(DSM-5), it represents the mental health of person. Anorexia Nervosa and Bulimia Nervosa these are two sort of eating disorders. They may find in 9% to 10% in adult women and 10% to 15% in Men suffer from compulsive-type eating problem.

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1. INTRODUCTION

An Eating Disorder is caused by unstable mental health and consciousness about their body weight and body figure. People who have abnormal eating habits may affect their physical or mental health. Having fear about their gaining weight they might overexercise or restrict to intake of food. Mental health condition where people use to control of intake food with their feeling of shame, personal stigma and always stay silent struggling with their disorder. There is some common misconception like – Someone must be underweighted to have an Eating Disorders, Eating Disorder are choice, Eating Disorders only happen to young girls, Eating Disorders are a diet gone wrong and so on. About 70% of people who suffer from Anorexia Nervosa and 50% of people with Bulimia recover within five years.

Now we live in an image-conscious or body-figure culture, especially for women they always conscious about their appearance. They think about body figure “fat” or “ugly” and self-judgment about ourself, feel shameful about body shape, weight, and concern about eating. This is a psychological disorder in which concern about weight and because of that they feel insecure, unconfirmable to eat with people. Judging people for his or her weight seems to be the last acceptable sort of prejudice that I hope within my lifetime that we see a change during this narrative. The causes of eating disorders are not clear, although both biological and environmental factors appear to play different tasks.

Taken together, eating disorders affect up to five percent of the population, most frequently develop in adolescence and young adulthood. Several, especially anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa are more common in women, but they are going to call occur at any age and affect any gender. Eating disorders are often associated with preoccupations with food, weight, or shape or with anxiety about eating or the result of eating certain foods. With proper medical treatment, however, those with eating disorders can resume eating habits, and recover their emotional and psychological health.

2. BACKGROUND MIS-CONSUMPTION ABOUT EATING DISORDER

• Myth 1: Someone must be underweighted to have an eating disorder. When people think of someone who is suffering from eating disorder, they of someone who underweight. The thoughts and behaviours that come beside the eating disorder also got to be addressed.

• Myth 2: eating disorder are choice. There are many causes for eating disorder, not single reason for that. Biological, psychological, and sociocultural factors are the causes included. People got stress because of feel shame of their body image.

• Myth 3: eating disorders only happen to young girls. As per the research eating disorder do not cause only for young girls, they will be affecting all genders, any weight of person, and whichever social status. Any type community including LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) those also cause eating disorders.
• Myth 4: eating disorders are a diet gone wrong. Although for a couple of people, one trigger for a disorder could even be that they need dieting, eating disorders aren’t “a diet that has gone wrong”. They’re serious health disorders which can still continue to possess adverse effects on physical health and mental condition which may be fatal.

3. DISORDER TYPES

3.1 Anorexia Nervosa
People with anorexia Nervosa restrict the intake of amount of food. They think will get weight after they have underweight. In research found that the disorder shares genetic roots, neurons send the signal to the brain to stop eating. These signals work in concert with other signals, including that nutrient intake. But their ability to resume eating independently of other signals makes them an intriguing aim for future research on treating metabolic disorders and possibly eating disorders.

The researcher wrote, “Our results encourage a reconceptualization of anorexia as a Metabo-psychiatric disorder”. This new research help to explain why they get metabolic way out of control. Also, they include that up to 25 percent of a patient will develop a form of Anorexia Nervosa and up to one third will continue to experience residual symptoms throughout adulthood. In the general population, the lifetime prevalence of this disorder is around 1% in women and men less than 0.5.

The peak age of onset of the disorder is caused between 14 years to 18 years. From a sociological perspective, globalization exposes most of the people who are being socialized because they are very conscious about body image and weight. The increasing rate of this disorder in North America, Europe, and Japan. However, about 2 to 6 percent of people are sick, die, and committed suicide. There are two subtypes of anorexia nervosa:
• Restricting type, in which individuals lose weight primarily by dieting, fasting or excessive exercising, and
• Binging/purging type in which persons also engage in intermittent binge eating and/or purging behaviours.

3.2 Bulimia Nervosa
Bulimia Nervosa is overeating of food, loss of control towards the food. Removing food by purging it, to get rid of the food. The person has a constantly uncontrollable urge to eat, and then throw up all the food to prevent weight gain. Is a serious, potential, psychological, and eating disorder characterized with respect to taking food. In a short period of time, a large amount of food is taken, followed by an attempt to avoid gaining weight.

Purging includes forcefully vomit take laxatives or diuretics and do an extreme level of exercising. Often, in these binge/purge so many times, a woman or man suffering from this disorder will experience a loss of control about food and engage in frantic efforts to remove those feelings.
Binges may be very large and food is often consumed rapidly, beyond fullness to the point of nausea and uncomfortable. As in anorexia nervosa, persons with bulimia nervosa are excessively preoccupied with thoughts of food shape which negatively affect, and disproportionately impact. Individuals with bulimia nervosa can be slightly low weight, normal weight, excess weight, or even obese. If they are underweight however they are considered to have anorexia nervosa binge-eating/purging type, not bulimia nervosa. The Disappearance of food, various empty wrappers, or food containers in the garbage of junk food. Alternating between overeating and fasting. Rarely eating normal meals or food, it’s all-or-nothing when it comes to food. The bathroom or even the person may smell like vomit and very ridiculous. They may try to cover up the smell with mouthwash, air freshener, gum, or mints. Excessive exercising after eating. Mostly typical activities include high-intensity calorie burners such as running.

**Common Symptoms of Bulimia**

- Eating a significant amount of food in a limited time (binging)
- Experiencing feelings of guilt, shame, or anxiety after eating
- Preoccupation with body weight or shape
- Purging food from the body after eating
- Use of diuretics to control weight
- Excessive exercise to prevent weight gain

4. **CAUSES OF EATING DISORDER**

Exact causes of eating disorder are not defined yet, but some reason probably a combination of biological, psychological and depend on environmental factors.

- **Biological**: There is not yet clear which genes are responsible to make the decision not to take food, there may be genetic changes in the human body that make some people at higher risk of developing anorexia. All concern about body image, shame feeling about eating habit and because of that people also having a genetic tendency toward very perfect, sensitive, and preserve mind these are all traits associated with anorexia. Those with a first-degree relative a parent or child who had the disorder have a much higher risk of anorexia. Approximately 28%-74% of the risk of eating disorder contributes genetically. And genome-wide association study has identified 8 risks – Fat mass, Fat-free mass, BMI, Obesity, Type 2 diabetes, Fasting Insulin, Insulin resistance, Leptin.

- **Psychological**: People who suffer from this disorder may have obsessive-compulsive personality traits that make it easier to stick to strict diets and forgo food despite being hungry. Obsessive about the thinness through dieting and disturb about body image. Extreme think about they are not thin enough, and they may have high levels of anxiety and engage in restrictive eating to reduce it. Distress increases psychological is found among individuals with an eating disorder. Relatively high rates of comorbid psychopathology have been reported for samples of individuals with anorexia nervosa. The extent to which these psychological and social difficulties may be involved in the development of eating disorders remains not clear and could be clarified by prospective, longitudinal studies.

- **Environmental Factors**: This generation of youngsters more focuses on their body image, mostly young age girls are conscious about physical image. Adaptation of modern generation culture is all over India also followed were more focus on the appearance which include body image.

5. **CONCLUSION**

Stringent diagnostic criteria show that the prevalence for any single disorder is rather low. However, combining prevalence rates across various types of disorders reveals that up to 5 to 1 percentage of women may be afflicted with a diagnosable disorder. Serious
medical, psychological are associated with these disorders. The treatment of individuals with eating disorders often requires a multifaceted approach (e.g., psychotherapy, pharmacotherapy, medical management) involving members of several professional disciplines (e.g., dieticians, psychologists, psychiatrists, internists) and various settings (e.g., inpatient, outpatient, day treatment, residential). Literature on the treatment of these disorders indicates that substantial progress has been made in the last few decades. However, a sizable subgroup of individuals with either one of these disorders do not adequately respond to established therapies, or do respond but subsequently relapse. Much additional work is needed to be in predicting treatment response and developing relapse prevention strategies. Furthermore, effective primary and secondary prevention strategies, techniques remain to be established.

6. REFERENCES