

TZNIUT - MODESTY BULLETIN # 15

**"THE WOMAN WHO FEARS HASHEM, SHE
SHALL BE PRAISED" (MISHLE 31:30)**

WORLD JEWISH TZNIUT AND KEDDUSHA COMMITTEE

PROPER BEHAVIOR FOR A MODEST DAUGHTER OF ISRAEL

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WOMEN WHO WEAR IMMODEST CLOTHING ARE TO BLAME FOR THE TRAGEDIES AND ILLNESSES OF THE COMMUNITY

We are alarmed to hear of a new dreadful breach in the wall of tzniut in relation to female dress. The fire has already caught hold of the periphery of the camp of shomrei Torah umitzvos. This is to wear dresses that have slits either at their sides or in the center, which is a manner of dress that represents pritzus and rebellion. A Bas Yisroel who wears such a garment transgresses Das Yehudis and encroaches on the cardinal issur of Giluy arayot.

Lately, Heaven has been shocking us with dreadful accidents and illnesses within our community. The pain and suffering rachmana litzlan have been very great. The women who wear the pritzus'dik garments mentioned are to blame for this. They cause many to sin and it is they who thereby invite serious retribution on the community, as the Torah says, ervah should not appear amongst you as it will cause Me to withdraw My protection from you. We hereby decree with the force of the Holy Torah that it is absolutely ossur for a Bas Yisroel to wear the above-mentioned disgusting clothes. This is forbidden even in a way that the flesh is not visible as one is obligated to distance oneself from impurity. Upright and refined N'shei Yisroel must react sharply and protest against those who wear these forbidden forms of clothing. In the merit of standing guard on the watchtowers of tznius, the Guardian of Yisroel will stand guard and protect His vineyard from all mishaps and illnesses, rachmana litzlan. All of us should merit having a gemar chasima tova and experience the everlasting redemption with the coming of Moshiach speedily in our days.

The statement is signed by the Ra 'avad and his Beis Din.

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