



A woman climbs the steps to her house in a village of Nalbari district, Assam, India. (Photographer: Dhiraj Singh/Bloomberg)

Why Indian Housewives Are Killing Themselves

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Thirty-six-year-old Shivani (name changed) had been married for 16 years. From the early years of the marriage, she had been depressed because her husband and his family treated her like a servant and confined her to the house, in Rohtak, Haryana, she told IndiaSpend. Her husband would insult her for being overweight and for falling sick often. In August 2017, Shivani took an overdose of sleeping pills to kill herself.

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