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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This study covers euthanasia and abortion because both of them are intertwined in medicine. While euthanasia and abortion are actions that have a lot to do with the exercise of personal freedom, they are also facts that may be connected to death. Both make reference to cultural, religious, and legal frameworks, all of which surely have a significant impact on justification levels. In order to comprehend human sanctity or self-nature, humanism, or humanising humans, is something that must be included into all facets of life. Human nature as the most ideal servant of God must be taken into consideration when humanising others. Humanism is not just a limited set of values; it also takes on a true attitude or form that helps it repeatedly develop into a morally upright habit. Humans are obligated to treat others with respect, yet we have the freedom to choose our thoughts and behaviours. Knowledge and a pure spirit are innate qualities of humanity. While it is hoped that **k**-nowledge would enable people to become helpful members of society, human sacredness demands that we treat others with respect (Franayanti, 2021).

Since both of these problems involve acts carried out in the world of medicine by people, they are both human-related. The acts of euthanasia and abortion that a physician performs on a patient in a hospital or other medical facility. Etymologically, euthanasia means "good death," and it's commonly connected to having the freedom to choose when to end a life. The question of whether or not women can freely choose in regards to their bodies and the decision of whether or not to carry a pregnancy to term is also raised by abortion and voluntary pregnancy termination. The concept of life/death is connected to both euthanasia and abortion; however, more importantly, it is connected to the political and moral definition of a particular society and culture (and, thus, legislation) about the exercise of individual freedom and its bounds.

Death is a factor in both euthanasia and abortion. This indicates that taking someone's life is done by humans and is commonly referred to as murder. In the viewpoint of Islam, both of these situations are equivalent to killing, which is a grave offence that will result in sin and punishment in the hereafter. Abortion and euthanasia are controversial topics. Although it is not murder legally, it is nevertheless seen as such morally and psychologically. Therefore, the purpose of this research is to learn more about these two issues whether or not they are allowed from the perspective of Islam.