SONS & LOVERS AND ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH INDIAN SOCIETY

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ABSTRACT
Sons and Lovers is a classical novel, which depicts intensity of love, passion and family life. It also recognizes the centrality of sexual passion to wholesome existence. Indian Society and culture still have certain inhibitions regarding public display of love and affection. This repression could be one of the reasons for abnormal sexual behaviour. One can draw parallels between protagonist’s abnormal attachment to his mother and relationship of mothers and sons in Indian society. Because of this reason perhaps, several marriages are lost due to this strange and undefined relationship of mother and son. Mothers find it difficult to release their sons emotionally. Sons and Lovers deals with the problem of “Societal Malady” of divisiveness of life as spiritual and sexual as depicted by Miriam & Clara in this novel. The relevance of this novel in Indian context is obvious because the tug of war goes on between the two sides; rarely one maintains a balance to lead a wholesome life.

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