

'Studies show women who replace periods with commas can now think like a man'

## Periods to be replaced with commas in women's bodies

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When my editor asked me to write a period piece for this week's Satireday, I was quite perplexed. After all, it is common knowledge that periods have been cancelled, and emojis now mark the end of sentences (-;-)

My editor's a boomer, and he likes historical content. He wants me to talk about this other period that women used to experience, one where they would bleed out of their genitals, experience debilitating pain paired with mood swings that almost made it seem like the world was ending. Some would have to drop out of school, spend their days in isolation even at home because periods were too much of a taboo to even be discussed among family members. They would fall behind at work because no organisation took their pain seriously.

"It'll pass," my friend's boss told her, "We're working on legislation to cancel periods. It'll be fine," he said when she asked for a leave, on a day when her cramps were so bad, she could barely walk.

"If you want to normalise periods so bad

then why not normalise shitting, huh?" one Md Shaheen commented on a MyTube video. His opinion matched the general consensus, of course. "Pro-period??? What's next, pro-farting? Pro-choice? Or worse, pro-consent? It is baffling that people can post such offensive content on the internet," said Abul Baten, who is totally not a snowflake.

Ultimately, MyTube gave in. "To be honest, we like being liked. We want Md Shaheen and Abul Baten and the millions of others who hate reproductive rights to like us. I feel like we've gotten some brownie points, we tried being woke, but it's not working out," said a MyTube spokesperson, "So we're deleting all periods, starting now"

"It's a win for feminism, if you ask me," said Basindhara University student Yakub Ali. "It was called menstruation, not womenstruation, haha," added Yakub, a comedy king.

"Women were sinning," said a popular motivational speaker who delivers speeches every weekend to large masses in hats, "Now they will sin in private. Secretly, just

as we do."

You may wonder if this move has helped women. "I thought we were making strides in normalising menstruation but I guess nothing will change. Just have to pretend to be fine even when the pain makes me want to separate my legs and torso," said Farida Khan (not her real name), who was clearly not fine. "My boss better not find out I've been speaking to fake journalists about fake bodily functions," she added.

Until the anti-period legislation is formally passed, let this period piece remind you of this cycle women have been riding since the dawn of time. Some have a perfectly functioning one while some have irregular rhythm. It causes pain in your mind and even in your butt, but not anymore; cause in the patriarchy, periods didn't make the cut >:(

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## I'm just trying to put food on the table: Industrialist The Wood Ibrahim

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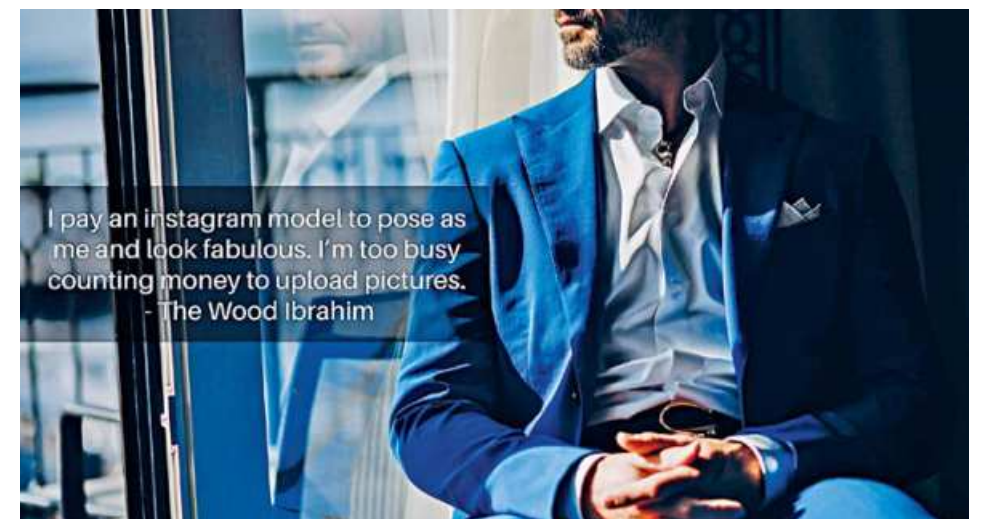
When I was young, my mother gave me two pieces of advice for life: 1) always focus on putting food on the table, 2) make sure to buy a huge table. From that point on, my life has been founded on these two maxims. It has made me into the billionaire I am today.

To this day, when people ask me why I do all that I do, I tell them I'm just putting food on the table. The other day some birds from National Birds against Revenue (NBR) came and audited me. You know how they are, always so underhanded, always trying to pin things on us that have nothing to do with us. I have more than 500 million bucks that are

a t, which is why I started running a t-shirt business in the first place.

By her word, I bought a huge table made out of mahogany straight from the Amazons. If you see it, you instantly recognise the royalty. And such a grand table requires great meals, no?

There's a house rule that during a meal, no more than four inches of the table can be left between two dishes, which means you'd have to feel it up with around 20-25 items at least. It's such a sight, it's what keeps me going. When the birds from NBR told me it doesn't take much to put food on the table and asked me to pay the wages,



I pay an Instagram model to pose as me and look fabulous. I'm too busy counting money to upload pictures. - The Wood Ibrahim

accounted for, but do they care about that? No. They kept hounding me for the other 500m that's unaccounted for. It's really just a glass half-empty, half-full kinda thing.

On top of the pessimism, they don't really seem to understand the point of entrepreneurship at all, the foundation on which this proud country stands. Rather than focusing on all the good stuff that I do, did, will do, whoop de doo, they asked me about unpaid wages of my staff. You know why that's annoying as hell? Because it's just one month of unpaid wage. You know how many people I owe and am owed from, how much and for how long? Sheesh, imagine going berserk over paltry 6,330 taka for around a thousand people. I mean yeah, together it's a small-mid sum, but individually it's just 6000 bucks.

Which is like way less than a single meal at our place. You see, I've always been a mama's boy, I followed everything she said to

I was like bro, what I mean by food is a buffet for each meal and what I mean by a table is basically a stage for an underground metal show.

And then it took another while to make them understand why I need to get some of my money offshore. Well, a man can own multiple tables, can't he? I own property across at least 15 countries, and all of them come with tables. I mean what's any house without one, amirite?

Then there's all the property I own locally, the tables at my office, at my kids' private schools, it all adds up. I showed all the documents, receipts of all the tables I own and asked them, "Is this accounting enough for you?", referring to the "unaccounted" for wealth they just couldn't let go of. They just kept talking about it over and over. It was getting on my nerves.

So I killed each pair of birds down with one stone.

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## MOBans against discussion of urination

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A group of MOBans (Moral Objection Board Against Newmedia) emerged from the bushes of Boldapur last week to protect their society from Sayman Shukhon's discussion on urination. "We will not let him [Sayman Shukhon] live because his discussion on urination hurt our delicate ears and shook our moral principals," they chanted while marching towards the capital wearing yellow shirts and white caps. They started the march #BANhisLIFE (cause, you know, MOBans) right after a video went viral on social media where Sayman Shukhon was seen talking about some issues he was facing while urinating. In the video, he said, "I

feel a burn and I think many more may feel the same. We should speak about our issue and fix it by consulting a doctor. This is not a taboo."

Countering his statement, the morons said, "None should speak about urination. It's a dirty thing. We all do it but we don't discuss it." "And, we will not let anyone do things that we never did or could never do." Meanwhile, hearing the news of MOBans marching towards the capital, Sayman Shukhon, a successful education trader, formally apologised on social media for educating people. "I should not have tried to enlighten people. I am sorry. I understand my mistake and

will never do it again. Please let me live," he said.

Talking to this newspaper, the cybercrime unit at Boldapur Police Station, said, "As always, we are not aware of it yet." "We promise to take action once the MOBans cause any harm to Sayman Shukhon," they added. Asked how police could make such a statement, they said, "It requires an intelligent brain to harm someone who has a lot of money. We don't believe the MOBans have that." Thus, we are not too worried about it, they added. This correspondent was trying to find a leader among the MOBans until this report was filed at 12:56am today.